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IAF blasts terrorist bases up to Beirut, heavy casualties

4 soldiers wounded in Syrian shelling

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

The Israel Air Force yesterday afternoon twice attacked terrorist concentrations in Lebanon and, according to reports from Beirut, inflicted heavy casualties.

The first wave of planes attacked a training base of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine some 10 kms. south of Beirut at 3.30, the strafing lasting half an hour. At 5 o'clock, terrorist bases in the vicinity of Nabatiya and Mahruna, in southern Lebanon, and Sidon on the Mediterranean coast were bombed.

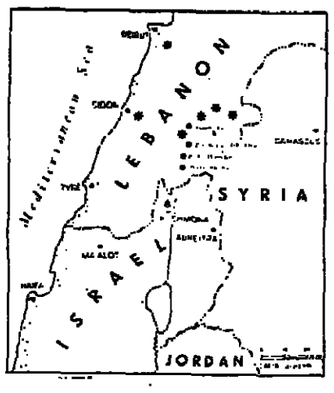
According to an announcement from the Army Spokesman, all planes returned safely to base.

The targets attacked included offices, training bases, headquarters and workshops belonging to the Fatah, the Habash wing of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine and the Popular Democratic Front under Nayef Hawatmeh — which was responsible for the Ma'alot massacre.

Meanwhile along the Syrian front yesterday, four soldiers were wounded by Syrian artillery, which fell in the Bulge, on the southern Golan and the Hermon range. In the morning, the Syrians shelled the Ein Zivan area on the southern Golan, causing little damage. There were no casualties. Hardest hit yesterday was the northern sector of the Bulge in the Mazrat Beit Jann region where hundreds of shells fell in the late morning and early afternoon.

Anan Safadi reports:

Dozens of persons were killed and scores wounded in yesterday's Israel air raids, according to reports from Beirut. Lebanese authorities said the exact number could not be counted by early last evening.



Lebanese Prime Minister Takieddin Solh said an extraordinary parliamentary session last night was awaiting reports on casualties from various parts of the country. He said that two camps reported four dead and 100 wounded. But Beirut TV later reported 27 killed.

Beirut Radio last night repeatedly broadcast nation-wide appeals for donations of blood of various types for hospitals throughout the country.

The Lebanese Defence Ministry said that 36 Israel warplanes strafed in waves at least seven targets in different parts of the country including several Palestinian refugee camps known to contain terrorist headquarters and training centres.

The terrorist-controlled Palestinian news agency, Wafa, said one of the targets was the largest of Lebanon's 15 refugee camps, Ein el-Hilweh, near the port city of Sidon. This houses some 20,000 refugees. The agency said that the camp hospital and the terrorist "Armed Struggle Command" post were hit.

The agency said the planes also rocketed the second largest refugee camp at Rashidiyeh on the outskirts of the coast town of Tyre. Other targets included camps from Rachaya el-Fokhar and Mahrouna on the northern foothills of Mt. Hermon to Burj el-Barajneh on the outskirts of Beirut.

Lebanese authorities ordered Beirut's International Airport closed during the raids. The capital was reported in panic as residents ran for cover amid the sounds of sonic booms and explosions.

Lebanese authorities earlier in the day issued a warning to citizens against possible Israel military action in retaliation for Wednesday's Ma'alot terrorist carnage.

Foreign Minister Foad Naffa yesterday summoned the envoys of the five permanent Security Council members — the U.S., the Soviet Union, Britain, France and China — to discuss developments stemming from the attack. Beirut reports said that Naffa asked the envoys to use their influence to restrain Israel from carrying out its threats against Lebanon because of terrorists crossing the Lebanese border into Israel.

Egypt's Middle East News Agency reported that Egypt last night warned Israel that the Arab world "would not stand idle" while "terrorist acts" were committed against civilians in Southern Lebanon.

The anguished parents of Yocheved Mazouz, 15, victim of the terrorists at Ma'alot, at her burial in Safad. (Mike Goldberg)

Ma'alot toll now 24, 22 in serious state

Twenty of the 24 killed in Ma'alot were schoolchildren. Two of them died of their wounds yesterday.

The full list:

Yona Sabbagh, 15, of Safad.
Yocheved Mazouz, 15, of Safad.
Sarah Cohen, 15, of Safad.
Shoshana Cohen, 17, of Safad.
Ilana Ne'eman of Safad.
Rahel Apota of Safad.
Yehudit Madar of Safad.
Rina Cohen of Safad.
Ya'akov Levy of Safad.
Malka Amrousi of Safad.
Ya'akov Kabbala of Safad.
Tamar Dahan of Safad.
Zvia Mor-Yosef of Safad.
Yaffa Cohen of Safad.
Sarah Ben-Simon of Safad.
Sarah Madar of Safad.
Lily Morad, 15, of Hatzor.
Aviva Sa'ada of Moshav Ellfelet.
Michal Sitron, 17, of Hatzor.
Sarah Sofer, 15, of Safad.

(The last two died of their wounds yesterday.)

Yosef Cohen, Fortuna Cohen and Moshe Cohen, aged 4. (All members of the family killed before the terrorists entered the school).

Cpl. Sylvain Zer'a, 21, of Ma'alot, who was killed while taking pictures from the nearby water tower.

The 22 more seriously injured pupils were all operated on at Haifa's Rambam Hospital. The hospital staff was fully mobilised immediately and the operations lasted until 3 a.m. yesterday. Two of the patients were still in grave condition yesterday.

The other 20 were reported in "satisfactory condition and improving," by Dr. Ya'acov Assa, deputy hospital director. They would however all need lengthy hospital treatment, he said. They had all suffered bullet wounds and some were also injured from grenade splinters, he said.

Of the two in grave condition, one a girl, sustained a bad head wound and the other, a boy, after being shot by the terrorists, broke his spine jumping out of the window.

One of the Ma'alot injured, Uriel Hefetz, was taken by helicopter from Safad to Jerusalem's Hadassah Medical Centre last night for an operation to remove a splinter in his spine. Mr. Hefetz was one of the adults accompanying the schoolchildren.

Dayan: They died to save further lives

TEL AVIV. — "If the terrorists believed that they could get what they wanted without paying with their lives, they would come back again and again — the only way we can deal with them is to make it quite clear that they will be killed," Defence Minister Moshe Dayan said here last night.

Mr. Dayan was speaking at a reception at Beit Sokolow, where he turned up unexpectedly late last night. Most of his address was devoted to his own personal anguish over what had happened at Ma'alot.

"But we had no other choice," he said "the children who died at Ma'alot will have saved with their own lives those of many, many other children." (Itim)

Moscow Jews arrested for anti-Beirut protest

MOSCOW. — Police detained 26 Moscow Jews on Thursday after they had raised a "shame on the murderers" poster near the Lebanese Embassy to protest against the Ma'alot killings.

Hundreds of uniformed and plainclothes [illegible] cordoned off street leading to the Embassy preventing pedestrians and cars from approaching the small building. Police spoke briefly with the demonstrators, who included four women, before a security squad hustled them into a waiting bus.

In connection with their demonstration, the Jews addressed an open letter to the Lebanese president, saying:

"We, a group of Moscow Jews, consider you an accomplice to the most brutal murder of children. We will never forgive the deaths of our children."

(AP, UPI)

Tass blames IDF

MOSCOW (Reuter). — The Soviet Union charged last night that the Israel army was responsible for the deaths at Ma'alot.

The official agency's report contained no sign of disapproval of the terrorist operation, although in the past Soviet officials have condemned terrorism.

U.S. denounces Ma'alot attack, Israel raids

WASHINGTON (UPI). — The White House yesterday denounced the "continuing cycles of violence" in the Middle East which brought about the Arab terrorist attack on a border school and retaliatory Israeli air raids.

Presidential spokesman Gerald L. Warren said the criticism was directed at the Arab terrorism at Ma'alot and yesterday's Israel retaliatory attacks against terrorist bases in Lebanon.

"It is the U.S. position that continuing cycles of violence of this type can only obstruct achievement of a peaceful settlement in the Middle East," Warren said.

The White House made public a letter from President Nixon to Israel Prime Minister Golda Meir expressing grief over Ma'alot.

"Our sorrow for the tragic loss of so many of Israel's children at Ma'alot cannot be expressed in words," Nixon said.

"Mrs. Nixon and I, along with all Americans, grieve with you and with the parents and schoolmates of those who died. This senseless act of terrorism has underscored once again the need for true peace in the Middle East. I can assure you that our efforts toward this goal will not waver. Please extend, Madame Prime Minister, my personal condolences to the Israeli people in this time of mourning."

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Gur: Every thing done to save pupils' lives

By HIRSH GOODMAN
Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

Chief of Staff Rav-Aluf Mordechai Gur said last night that Israel had done everything humanly possible to secure the release of the 86 schoolchildren being held hostage by three terrorists in Ma'alot, without having to storm the school.

"We were totally committed to handing over the terrorists held in Israeli prisons as the three attackers had demanded," he said, "but as a result of their adamant refusal to prolong the deadline, and our belief that if we did not meet the deadline they would have blown themselves up together with the children, we were forced to act as we did."

Speaking at a press conference in Jerusalem, the Chief of Staff said that it was not until 3.30 in the afternoon — just two and a half hours before the deadline was due to expire — that the terrorists mentioned that the code-word which the Rumanian or French ambassador was supposed to receive in order to open negotiations, would only be handed over once the freed terrorists had landed in Damascus. It was not until 4.30 in the afternoon that Israel, through the United Nations, received Syrian approval to fly the released terrorists to Damascus.

"It was absolutely impossible to meet their conditions in the time left to us," he said, "and this coupled with our belief that the three terrorists had every intention of carrying out their threat, forced us to make the agonizing decision to storm the school."

"Never before in my life," said Gur, "have I tried so hard to persuade anyone as I tried yesterday to persuade the terrorists to postpone their deadline and to give us the extra time necessary to fly the released prisoners out of Israel."

Israel had taken the decision early in the day, he said, to meet the terrorists' demands, but it was not until late in the afternoon that their demands became clear. Throughout the day Chief of Intelligence Aluf Shlomo Gazit and the Rumanian Ambassador to Israel maintained contact with the terrorist headquarters in Beirut in an attempt to

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Dr. K. has long talk with Assad

By DAVID LANDAU
Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger was expected back in Israel well after midnight from a long evening of talks with Syria's President Hafez Assad. Well-placed observers in Jerusalem said they were heartened by the extended duration of the Secretary's talks in Damascus. It seemed to indicate that there was movement and that he would return with a chance of breaking the stalemate.

"It doesn't take seven hours to say "no," " one observer pointed out.

A highly-placed source close to the negotiations told *The Jerusalem Post* that the Secretary had left Israel yesterday bearing with him no further concessions beyond those offered before his last shuttle on Tuesday.

At that time, Israel was understood to have shown some readiness to consider concessions in the Kuneitra area — both geographic and demographic — which would be slightly more generous than those she had offered earlier. There had been no question, however, of surrendering the strategic hills or villages around the battered town.

Last night, the Foreign Ministry spokesman denied an Israel Radio report that Israel had suggested yesterday that the talks be suspended for 10 days in view of the near-deadlock and the tragic events at Ma'alot.

In the morning, the Secretary and his aides had held a working session with the Israel negotiating team to hear the "considerations" resulting from Wednesday night's Cabinet meeting, which had lasted until after two a.m. Later, Dr. Kissinger held a 90-minute private meeting with Premier Golda Meir, who did not take part in the working session.

Anan Safadi, Post Arab Affairs Reporter writes:

U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger last night held marathon talks with Syrian President Hafez Assad as his current shuttle appeared to be nearing its end. Unless there is a surprise breakthrough, the fact that Kissinger extended his stay in Damascus may indicate that his mission has remained in deadlock, although this may still be temporary.

Kissinger stayed in the Syrian capital long beyond his schedule.

There was a virtual news blackout on the mission yesterday. Dr. Kissinger yesterday conveyed to Syria the Israel Governments' further views on disengagement and on the Syrian demand for further Israeli concessions in the neighbourhood of Kuneitra.

Although nothing is known of Dr. Kissinger's plans, observers expressed the opinion that he might interrupt his mission at present and return to the region in two or three weeks. He was expected to stop over in Cairo on his way to Washington to brief President Sadat on his mediation between Syria and Israel.

Observers in Damascus said yesterday that the negotiations were deadlocked over details rather than wider issues. The fact that President Assad has kept three of his top military aides on call during Kissinger's fifth and latest visit to Damascus is seen as a sign of this.

The observers do not believe there is much chance of Kissinger scoring immediate success. They pointed to reports from Jerusalem that the Israel Government has firmly rejected a Syrian demand for the evacuation of three strategic hills neighbouring the town of Kuneitra.

Syrian officials were reported yesterday as saying that Damascus would make no more concessions. They said that Syria had already made concessions: giving a list of prisoners; agreeing to exchange prisoners at an early phase of disengagement; dropping an initial demand for an advance timetable for Israel's withdrawal to the pre-1967 frontiers.

Talking with the assassins

During Wednesday afternoon there was an exchange of messages by loud-hailers with the terrorists who were holding the pupils at the Ma'alot school building. They were officially informed, by megaphone, of the Government's decision to accept their demand and release 20 detainees. They were also told that the Government was trying to coordinate technical arrangements with the embassies of Rumania and France.

The terrorists' replies were unequivocal; they refused to permit anyone to approach the school, who did not have the code issued by their Beirut headquarters, which would confirm the prisoners' release and safe arrival in Damascus.

The following is a transcript of the exchange.

15:55 hours:
Terrorists:

We must hear of our comrades' arrival in Damascus before we release the children. We are bound by our headquarters' instructions and orders, we cannot wait longer than 1800 hours. We can't change our orders and extend that limit. At six o'clock we shall take off our webbing and, at the same time, explode the mines along the walls.

16:15 hours:
Spokesman on behalf of the IDF:

We are making all the arrangements for the transfer of your comrades so that they'll arrive there before 6 o'clock. We are not sure we shall be able to keep to the timetable, and we'll keep you informed of every development here. We'll let you know the moment we hear from the Rumanian Ambassador. Perhaps he'll have details or information from your command. Please be patient and don't do anything rash, and God willing, everything will end well. We on our part shall do everything so your comrades will reach Beirut as quickly as possible.

Terrorists reply:

We cannot change our command's orders. You must release our 20 comrades, as you said, before six o'clock, and only then can we release the hostages here. Then we, too, will reach Damascus by 6

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French envoy clarifies confusion over mediation

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

Foreign Minister Abba Eban and the French Ambassador, Jean Herly, last night smoothed over a storm which had arisen over the latter's press interviews in which he contradicted the Israel Government's version of Wednesday's diplomatic efforts to arrange for mediation with the Ma'alot terrorists.

After a meeting between the two men in Jerusalem, Foreign Ministry officials said the Minister had "accepted with gratification the Ambassador's clarifications."

The Ambassador is understood to have explained that he did not intend to contradict the Israel account of events, but merely to describe them from his own standpoint.

Mr. Eban met separately with the French Ambassador and the Rumanian Ambassador, Ion Covaci, and expressed to both of them once again Israel's appreciation of their own and their governments' efforts to assist in the Ma'alot tragedy.

The meetings came after interviews which Mr. Herly had granted local and foreign papers in which he had apparently challenged the Israel version of events. He said that he had sought to speak to the three terrorists shortly after five p.m., to urge them to extend their six o'clock deadline, but he had been persuaded by army officers not to do so since he had not received the codeword which the terrorists' headquarters in Damascus was to have transmitted to him.

But, Mr. Herly said, this had been "a grave misunderstanding" — because he was in fact not to have received the codeword until Israel had released the 20 prisoners demanded by the terrorists and the 20 had arrived safely in Damascus.

When it had become clear that this would be impossible to organize in time for the deadline, he had flown by helicopter to Ma'alot to plead with the three men to extend

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THE WEATHER

Forecast: Fair with a slight rise in temperature.
Weather synopsis: Barometric high over East Mediterranean slowly moving eastward.

	Yesterday's Humidity	Yesterday's Min-Max.	Today's forecast
Jerusalem	31	13—22	14—24
Golan	—	8—10	10—21
Nahariya	68	14—23	15—25
Safad	42	12—23	13—25
Haifa	67	16—23	16—25
Tiberias	27	19—31	15—33
Nazareth	42	13—24	15—26
Afula	39	13—27	14—28
Shomron	35	11—22	13—24
Tel Aviv	66	14—22	15—24
Lod	34	11—26	14—27
Jericho	39	16—31	17—32
Gaza	72	14—25	15—25
Beersheba	34	10—28	12—29
Eilat	9	17—34	18—35
Tiran	14	— 32	20—34

Social and Personal

Interior Minister Yosef Burg, Aluf (res.) Uzi Narkis and Rabbi Shear-Yashuv Cohen will speak on Jerusalem Day at this week's vocal newspaper, at Jerusalem's Beit Ha'am at 9 o'clock tonight.

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Mrs. Shulamit Aloni, MK, will speak on current Political Affairs, at the Haifa Maritime and Economics Club, Zion Hotel, at 1 p.m. today. Table reservations, phone 511593.

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Tonight's *Oneg Shabbat* at Hechal Shlomo, Jerusalem, will begin at 9 p.m. Rabbi C.H.Y. Shayovitz and Mr. Z.L. Shammai of the Foreign Ministry will speak. Cantor Arye Goldberg will lead the *zmirot*.

Tomorrow, a *Melaveh Malka* programme will be presented at 8.45 p.m. Joseph Lador of the Foreign Minister will be the guest speaker. Cantor Yehuda Lendner will provide the musical programme. A film will be shown. The public is invited.

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A special Vocal Newspaper on conclusions following the Ma'alot attack and on the stand of the protest movements for change will be held at Beit Sokolow in Tel Aviv on Monday at 7 p.m. Assa Kadmoni, Prof. Yonatan Shapiro and Aluf (res.) Yochai Bin-Nun will participate, and Shimon Samet of "Ha'aretz" will be the moderator.

Bonn issues a stronger statement

By BRIAN ARTHUR
Jerusalem Post Corresppondent

BONN. — The Bonn Foreign Office yesterday called in the Israel Ambassador here to express the government's sympathies over the "tragic outcome" of the terrorist attack at Ma'alot.

A German spokesman said Ambassador Ellashev Ben-Horin had been told that the government viewed "with horror this grave incident" and "most deeply regrets" this new case of violence in the Middle East.

Informed sources said the original version of Bonn's official reaction, put out Wednesday afternoon, was so weak and watered down that Mr. Ben-Horin refused to accept it.

The ambassador instead complained bitterly to Deputy Government Press Officer Norbert Burger, telling him that "this is not enough," and that it was "not satisfactory." The sources said that Mr. Ben-Horin was "very upset."

Yesterday the head of the Middle East Department at the Foreign Office, Lothar Lahn, called in Mr. Ben-Horin to tell him that the original version had been changed, and the new version already issued.

Sources said Mr. Ben-Horin was still "not completely satisfied, but was more satisfied than before."

The original Bonn version did not contain any "human touch," the sources explained. The second statement contained the phrases "horror" and "deepest regret."

The West German press reacted with shock to the bloodbath. Some papers made it their main headline, others gave it equal prominence with Thursday's election of Walter Scheel as new West German President.

Three soldiers held

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Three soldiers were arrested early yesterday in the Shmuel Hanavi quarter of Jerusalem after a car chase in which police fired a warning shot.

A police spokesman said that four carloads of soldiers arrived at a quarter after midnight and began racing their cars through the neighborhood. Some of them beat up two local youths. When police arrived, the cars sped off but one of them was intercepted. The three soldiers are being questioned about their companions.

Outburst at Safad funeral

KATZIR, ALLON LEAVE — NOT ALLOWED TO SPEAK

By YESHAYAHU ASHNI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

SAFAD. — President Ephraim Katzir and Deputy Premier Yigal Allon needed a police escort to get out of the cemetery here yesterday after angry demonstrators prevented them from speaking at the funeral for 18 local victims of the terrorist outrage at Ma'alot. Quieter demonstrations marked the funerals held at Ma'alot, Hatzor and Elifelet for the remaining victims of the massacre.

Mr. Katzir's and Mr. Allon's attempts to express the state's sympathy for the bereaved families were drowned out by angry youngsters shouting "Israel is a rest home for terrorists," "terrorists to the gallows" and similar slogans at the tops of their voices. Appeals to them to respect the dead and to listen to the messages of the national leaders were fruitless. An irate crowd surged forward, broke through the police cordon and cut the funeral rites short as soon as the coffins had been lowered into the graves.

The mood had run high in the town as the identities of the victims, all in the 15 to 17 age group, were established and the news conveyed to the families. Bereaved parents, their neighbours and friends exchanged stories of how even pupils who had not wanted to go on the trip, or whose families had not approved, had been urged to go.

At 4 p.m. the coffins, wrapped in the state flag, were borne on command cars from the Government Hospital to the cemetery. Graves had been dug not far from those of the children of Avivim, murdered three years ago in their schoolbus by Arab terrorists.

Helicopters flew back and forth over the closely guarded route as the funeral procession of more than 10,000 people made its way to the cemetery. In addition to the bereaved families, President Katzir and Deputy Premier Allon, the procession included Knesset Members, Sephardi Chief Rabbi Ovadia Yosef, Safad Mayor Aharon Nahmias and Town Council members, local rabbis, a Histadrut delegation headed by Secretary-General Yeruham Meshel, and army and police personnel.

The funeral service was marred from the beginning by the shouts of the young people present. After an army cantor recited psalms and kaddish in unison with the parents of the dead, Army Chaplain Tat-Aluf Gad Navon spoke on a note of pain and contempt of the terrorists striking at young children. "We shall overcome the schemes of these murderers," he warned.

It was then that the funeral addresses were to have been held, and that part of the crowd lost its self-control and overcame the protective ring of police, which in the end had no choice but to hustle the President and Deputy Prime Minister back to their cars.

The crowd dispersed, but the grief-stricken parents remained for a long while, many of them prostrate and inconsolable at the graves of their children.

In Safad as in all the towns and villages which held funerals for the Ma'alot victims, shops and offices were closed in the afternoon. At about three o'clock the afternoon was punctuated by the roar of groups of Air Force planes passing overhead to and from Fatah Land in southern Lebanon.

Ya'acov Ardon reports from Ma'alot:

Most of the adults in Ma'alot's population of less than 5,000 yesterday afternoon followed the three coffins of Yosef Cohen, his wife Fortuna and the couple's four-year-old son Moshe to their final rest. Only two members of the Cohen family, the first victims of the terrorists who went on to perpetrate the Ma'alot school massacre, survive: the oldest child, a five-year-old girl, and the youngest, an 18-month-old boy.

The Government was represented at the State funeral by Health Minister Victor Shemtov. Strong army, navy and police delegations were joined by hundreds of mourners from Galilee settlements and from many towns throughout the country.

An army chaplain, eloquently expressing the pain and determination of the population, warned the Arabs that the people of Ma'alot "will not budge." Local Council Chairman Eli Ben Ya'acov, himself a bereaved father (his son fell in October), took leave of the Cohens "with deep pain in our hearts, yet with our heads held high."

The Health Minister, bringing the Government's condolences, said that the long arm of the Israel army would reach the terrorists. He expressed doubt whether they ever intended to set the children free. "They intended to spread confusion, disunity, a sense of insecurity, in one word, to break the people and finally to liquidate Israel... They will not achieve their purpose."

David Slav adds:

The two Hatzor girls killed in the Ma'alot massacre — Lily Morad, 15, and Michal Sitron, 17 — were laid to rest in the township's cemetery yesterday afternoon. As several thousands persons gathered outside the Local Council offices to await the arrival of the flag-draped coffins, a quiet group of residents paraded with placards declaring "death to the terrorists," "an eye for an eye," and "we shall not forget the murder of our children."

The funeral procession to the cemetery was led by Interior Minister Yosef Burg, Council Chairman Rafi Edri, the bereaved families and delegations from Kiryat Shmona, the Histadrut and other places and organisations.

The two coffins were borne slowly on army command cars as a helicopter patrolled overhead. The appearance of a third coffin on another command car caused momentary alarm among the residents who feared that one of the wounded pupils had died. But it was soon learned that the coffin was that of a pupil from nearby Elifelet village, which had been misdirected.

At the graveside Dr. Burg said the Ma'alot murders had drawn the whole nation together as a single family. He scored the civilised nations who did not see fit even to protest such deeds or to raise their voices against the Arab states in whose capitals the terror organisations openly ran their headquarters. Their attitude reminded him of the indifference of the countries of Europe to the rise of Hitler 40 years ago.

The Local Council chairman and local rabbi eulogised the deceased; an army chaplain recited psalms and the kaddish prayer was recited.

Likud Knesset members Menahem Begin and Geula Cohen, who had attended the funeral in Safad, arrived at the cemetery during the service.

Buried in a separate funeral at Ma'alot yesterday was Sylvain Zer'a, 21, the soldier who was killed by the terrorists while visiting his parents in the Galilee town on Wednesday. Hundreds of people came up from Acre, where Zer'a lived with his wife and small child, to attend the funeral.

Girl tells experience as hostage

By YESHAYAHU ASHNI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

SAFAD. — Shula Alfassi, 16, a pupil of the Government religious high school here, had recovered sufficiently yesterday from her injuries to tell of her experience as a hostage for 15 hours on Wednesday in Ma'alot. She is now being treated at the Government Hospital here for multiple wounds, including a fractured ankle (broken in a jump from the second floor window) bullet wounds in the leg, and a spinal injury.

"I must have been the first to hear the first shot from the house across from the school building at Ma'alot. That was at 3 a.m. The terrorists first went to the rented Volvo belonging to teacher Pinhas Waknin, and asked him in Hebrew for the keys. When he told them that they keys were with another teacher, they cursed him. Since they wore Israeli army uniforms, I thought they were ours and smiled. I imagined they had also heard the shot and that it had brought them to the scene to find out.

"I went down to the ground floor to look for my brother Gabi. Only he and another teacher were sleeping there. Both teachers, Pinhas Waknin and Zion Cohen, realized that terrorists were in the building, and they fled, leaving me behind.

The terrorists told me to raise my hands and ordered me to take them to other pupils. I refused and they threatened to shoot me together with the others. I thought I might just as well die with the others. The Arabs sent us all into one hall, put explosive charges on the desks and laid wires into all the rooms.

They took us out in groups of six and put us along the windows. We were told not to move and not to go even into the toilets. Two of them spoke words of comfort; another was gross and offensive. They shot at the feet of Mahlouf Bitton who then fainted (he was later released by the terrorists). They said we would leave unharmed at 6 after the French and Rumanian Ambassadors turned up. One of us, Ya'acov Ka'bbala, (who was killed later by the terrorists) served as an Arabic translator.

When the shooting started just before 6 p.m. the Arabs set off a hand grenade which killed Ya'acov. Smoke came out of the walls and the floor and I saw holes in the masonry. I helped push the pupils out of the window and was one of the last to jump myself. Pieces of masonry kept falling on us. I felt a pain in my back and feet and crawled away from the schoolhouse. Our soldiers helped and one supported and comforted me and wrote his address on my hand.

"At Ma'alot I saw my mother, who began to cry when she saw me on a stretcher. During the long hours I wrote three farewell notes and hid them in my clothes. 'With the help of God,' I wrote to my parents and six brothers, 'I'm sorry I didn't listen to you (about not going on the outing), but such is luck. Come to visit me and le'hitraot.' By 'come to visit me' I thought it would be either the cemetery or the hospital. I also wrote notes to the relatives and to my close friends. I and two girls hid a book of Psalms in our hands because we thought the Arabs would desecrate it if they found it. We thought we would die together and we also jumped together." (The other two girls remained unhurt.)

The terrorists let us listen to the radio news and wanted to know what it said, but we didn't tell them everything we heard."

Avraham Peretz, 16, who was wounded by a bullet in the shoulder and hip and is now in satisfactory condition at the Government Hospital in Safad, described the scene in the Ma'alot school:

"The three terrorists crowded us together in one room, one standing near the door and the other two covering the first. The one at the door fired at our soldiers as they stormed through the corridor. He was also the one who threw the handgrenade into our room. When I was hit by a fragment I thought it was time to get out through the window.

"As I was getting up from the floor to jump, I was hit by a bullet, and I fell back on the ground, just between two of the terrorists. I watched them take hold of two handgrenades each and lie down on them, apparently to commit suicide. I was sure that they would set them off, and that I would die with them.

"I shouted at one of our soldiers that the terrorists had handgrenades. An officer put his foot on one of them and shot him in the head. At the same time, he shouted at another officer to do the same to the other terrorist. Two soldiers carried me off on a stretcher.

"The terrorists didn't threaten us, except when there was too much noise. When a helicopter flew overhead, they made us get up and stand by the windows to shield them from our soldiers' fire. They also shot near our legs to frighten us and convince our soldiers that they meant business and would kill us if the imprisoned terrorists were not released from prison."

Kiryat Shmona alarm

Jerusalem Post Reporter

KIRYAT SHMONA. — An alarm was raised here at 6 a.m. yesterday following the discovery of the tracks of two men, at the Lebanese border, on the hills between Margaliot and Manara. The security services thought it possible that the tracks were made by terrorists bent on another attack, and Kiryat Shmona was warned as a security precaution. The alarm was called off at noon, when it was established that no terrorists were involved.

Loudspeaker trucks drove through the town warning the residents not to send their children to school, not to leave their homes to go to work and not to open their doors to unidentified callers.

The town's emergency services, Haga civil defence, Magen David Adom and fire fighters were immediately mobilised. A helicopter scanned the area, and army and border police units carried out searches. The town's approaches were closed by barriers and soldiers took up positions at vital points. By noon, after the alarm was called off, life returned to normal.

In the morning, representatives of Druse and Arab villages in Western Galilee gathered at Tarshiha — the Arab village adjoining Ma'alot — and strongly condemned "the hideous crime perpetrated at Ma'alot."

The representatives — who came from the villages Mi'ilya, Fassuta, Hurfeish, Yanuh, Sammu'i and Peki'in — joined representatives of the joint Tarshiha-Ma'alot Local Council in the hope that the massacre would not undermine the good relations between Arabs and Jews in the area.

They also stressed the need to make the Israeli public aware of the "difference between murderers and citizens who have proven their loyalty to the State on more than one occasion."

The Ma'alot townsfolk reacted with strong emotions to Wednesday's massacre. Above the entrance to the local council office were posters reading "death penalty for the terrorists" and "separation from Tarshiha." People in the streets complained that security arrangements had been "a complete flop," and asked questions that reflected their doubts about the competence of the authorities.

The Local Council, aware of the public mood, met again last night. A poster was distributed to those returning from the funeral urging them to attend an emergency meeting called by an action committee; the names of the committee's members were not mentioned.

Workmen started early yesterday to repair the damage at the Netiv Meir school in Ma'alot. (Shmuel Rahmani)

Parents threaten boycott

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The National Parents Association yesterday demanded that the authorities improve the security situation in every school and library within a week and said that they will boycott any institution where the security is lax.

In a noisy emergency session that went on for several hours, the parents also called for an urgent meeting with the Ministers of Education, Police and Defence.

Some parents accused those who spoke of boycotts of spreading panic and hysteria which is, to their mind, just what the Arabs are aiming at.

All were, however, united in one sentiment — the parents and other volunteers cannot be charged with guarding the school premises themselves. Many, it was pointed out, simply have no idea of what even to look for, or what to do in case an emergency should arise. They stressed that the responsibility for the lives of hundreds of thousands of youngsters cannot be placed in the hands of inexperienced volunteers. The Government should be held accountable for all security measures in the schools, the parents said.

The parents were bitter about the fact that the Ministers of Defence and Police told them that there is certainly no manpower to surround every single school and kindergarten in the country. Some of the parents said that if there can be no security in the schools, there wil be no pupils there either.

Steps to save pupils

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get hold of the code-word which would have allowed the negotiations with the terrorists to proceed. "It was not until 3.30 in the afternoon that we were told the code-word would only be handed over once the released men were on Arab soil," he said, "making it totally impossible to meet the deadline."

Rav-Aluf Gur added that he personally was convinced that the terrorists had every intention of carrying out their threat to blow up the school at exactly 6.00 p.m. He said that the terrorists had no means of contacting their headquarters, and refused to budge from their plan, even after they knew that it was impossible for Israel to meet their demands.

Aluf Gur explained that he had refused to allow the French Ambassador — who was at Ma'alot — to approach the terrorists without the necessary code-word, because the terrorists had warned him that they would shoot to kill him if he did.

"They had been shooting from the windows all the time," he said, "and I was sure that they would carry out their threat. I saw no reason whatever to endanger the ambassador's life."

Chief of Intelligence, Aluf Shlomo Gazit, said that one of the main problems facing Israel was that the terrorists' plan was totally inflexible in that they were cut off from their headquarters and could not be reached without the code-word. He said their inflexibility left no room for manoeuvre, and he described the terrorists' plan for the mutual exchange as a "mission impossible."

During the afternoon, he said, Israel had made arrangements for a U.N. plane to fly the terrorists to Damascus. The U.N. had placed a plane at Israel's disposal, he said, and while this was luckily already at Jerusalem's Atarot airport, it had still to be unloaded. The plane could not have taken off with the prisoners before 5.30 p.m. and would not have reached Damascus before 7.00 p.m. (Israel time) — one hour after the terrorists' deadline.

Originally the terrorists had insisted that the freed prisoners be flown to Damascus, Aluf Gazit said, and it was not until 12 minutes to six — some 15 minutes after the terrorists had been killed and the children released — that Beirut finally agreed that the prisoners could be flown to Nicosia where the code-word would have been handed over by either the Syrian or Algerian ambassador.

The main task which faced the troops who had to storm the school, Rav-Aluf Gur said, was to cut the wires leading to the dynamite charges placed at six points in the building before the terrorists could activate them.

"We only had a few seconds to do this," he said, "and should we have failed, then not only would all the children have been killed, but the soldiers as well. Over 120 people in all."

The Chief of Staff dwelt briefly on the circumstances leading up to the tragedy. He said that after the attack — just two kilometres away — on the tender carrying Arab women workers home from work late the previous night, additional forces had been sent to the area. He added that even before this incident, in which two of the women died, special orders had been given for increased vigilance along the frontier. It has been established, he said, that the three crossed into Israel from Lebanon on May 13, and that the same three men had attacked the tender two hours before entering Ma'alot.

N.Y. demonstration

About 10,000 young people demonstrated in New York's Dag Hammarskjold Plaza yesterday against the massacre of the schoolchildren at Ma'alot.

Israel Radio reported last night that the demonstrators carried symbolic coffins and tried to break through the police cordons into the U.N. building. Rabbi Israel Miller, chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major Jewish Organizations in the U.S., the Israeli consul in New York, and other Jewish leaders addressed the demonstration.

Five hundred other youngsters earlier managed to break into the U.N. building courtyard, sat on the steps and criticized the international body for condemning Israel's raid into Lebanon following the Kiryat Shmona massacre last month.

Cabmen's prizes to Ma'alot

Tel Aviv taxi drivers attending the monthly "Careful Drivers Forum" at Beit Lessing yesterday decided unanimously to send the valuable prizes customarily distributed at the monthly event to the survivors of the Ma'alot massacre. The petroleum company that donated this month's prizes — which included watches, transistor radios and other valuable items — immediately decided to double the number of prizes. (Itim)

Pressure mounts for wide coalition

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Labour Party yesterady recommended to its Central Committee that it support a new Government coalition of 61, leaving portfolios open for the eventual co-option of the National Religious Party.

All the participants at yesterday's meeting concurred with the need to form a new Government rather than leaving the caretaker Government in office until elections.

The only participant at yesterday's meeting who spoke up for talks with Likud was Information Minister Shimon Peres, and even he acknowledged the many difficulties in the path. Nevertheless, pressure was mounting to form as broad a coalition as possible.

The spokesman for the national coalition lobby inside Labour, Mordechai Ben-Porat, yesterday wired Party Secretary-General Aharon Yadlin and Government whip Moshe Baram, stressing that the party could not carry on after the Ma'alot bloodbath as though nothing had happened. He demanded the immediate convening of the Leadership Bureau and Knesset caucus to vote on a national coalition. Apart from Ben-Porat, a number of prominent party members from other wings of the party oppose a coalition with only the ILP and CRM.

Similar pressure is mounting inside the Independent Liberals. A formal resolution has been tabled by Aharon Handelman and Yosef Taib for Tuesday's ILP Central Committee to press for a national unity government "with all the Zionist parties." Support for such a move has come from some influential NRP members, including Hillel Seidel, and Nissim Eliad. Mr. Seidel told *The Jerusalem Post* last night "We cannot carry on as if nothing unforward has happened. We are living in a deepening emergency and I can only trust that the Labour Party leaders will rise above old political enmities which are irrelevant today."

Jerusalem Day marked Monday

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Jerusalem Day, commemorating reunification of the city seven years ago, will be marked next Monday with a series of events.

Memorial meetings of bereaved families will be held at Mount Herzl and Ammunition Hill. The Jerusalem March around the walls of the Old City gets under way at 1.30 p.m. at Kiryat Yovel and proceeds via the Katamonim and Bethlehem Road.

A new event will be a youth race between memorial stones erected in the city in memory of Six Day War fallen. At 5 p.m., a children's celebration wil be held in the Biblical Zoo including a marionette show. Jerusalem Freemen awards will be isued in the evening at the Jerusalem Theatre. At 8 p.m., a Sephardi Cantorial evening will be held at Beit Ha'am.

Sunday evening at 7.30 p.m. an art exhibition "Jerusalemites Paint Their City" will open in the Jerusalem Theatre with the works of 70 artists. At 8.30 p.m. an evening of songs on "Jerusalem and Peace" will be held at the Jerusalem Theatre.

Woman drowns in well

HEBRON. — A 30-year-old woman drowned in a well near her village of Dahriya yesterday. Police removed the body of Mofida Mahmoud and they are investigating the incident. (Itim)

MIFAL HAPAYIS

The IL250,000 grand prizes in the Mif'al Hapayis lottery were drawn yesterday by tickets No. 264198 and 599068 and without flash draw (sefakh) IL150,000.

No. 690284 won IL50,000; Nos. 236011 and 386519 won IL12,500; Nos. 252848, 330087, 473914 and 667352 won IL6,250.

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THE FAMILY

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The Minister for Foreign Affairs and the Staff of the Ministry
mourn the death of
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former Director-General of the Ministry.
Our condolences to the family.

Police to check outing permits

Jerusalem Post Staff

TEL AVIV. — Police Inspector-General Rav-Nitzav Shaul Rosolio yesterday appointed a two-man inquiry committee to check on the way permits are granted by the police for organized excursions.

National police spokesman Sgan-Nitzav Nahum Bosmi said that the two senior police officers on the committee are Tat-Nitzav Shmuel Eitan and Nitzav-Mishne Michael Bochner. They will investigate the Gadna excursion and the overnight stay at Ma'alot of the boys and girls of the Safad religious school, and the measure of responsibility of the police in this matter.

S/N Bosmi added that the committee will submit its report to the Inspector-General within a few days.

S/N Bosmi also said that the state of alert in the police is still in force. All leaves have been cancelled and policemen are now working 12-hour shifts — increasing manpower by 30 per cent.

Acting Tel Aviv spokesman Sgan-Nitzav Yigael Marcus said the police are continuing their increased patrols in crowded areas and were kept busy checking calls from citizens reporting suspicious objects.

Meanwhile, the Education Ministry has not yet decided to appoint a committee to investigate the Ma'alot outrage. Ministry director-general Elad Peled was in Ma'alot during the negotiations with the terrorists and had a first-hand view of all measures taken.

The school outing was organized under the auspices of Gadna, which in academic high schools is under the supervision of the Education Ministry. Gadna activities in agricultural schools and youth organizations are run directly by the Gadna branch which is supervised by the army. The Ministry and the army cooperate closely in running Gadna activities.

Most outings in high schools are organized by the Gadna instructor at the school.

All school outings remain cancelled for the time being, although the ban is expected to be lifted soon for outings in the central part of the country.

In Haifa, the local branch of the "Our Israel" movement yesterday called on Education Minister Yigal Allon to accept ministerial responsibility for the tragedy at Ma'alot and resign his office. The movement held a special meeting to honour the victims of the massacre.

In another development following the Ma'alot disaster, the Histadrut Central Committee yesterday urged the International Confederation of Trade Unions to convene its executive council immediately in order to discuss "practical and effective measures trade unions may take to stop terror."

Histadrut Secretary-General Yeruham Meshel and 12 other members of the Central Committee attended funeral rites in Ma'alot, Safad and Hatzor. Leaders of the Arab Department of the Histadrut attended the funeral of the two Fassuta girls slain by the terrorists on their way home on the Ma'alot night.

Some of the 1,000 Jerusalem high school pupils who gathered near the Knesset yesterday to protest the Ma'alot slaughter. One of the placards reads "Kissinger go home: no deals with the murderers of children." (Rahamim Israeli)

Angry high school pupils demand anti-terror action

By ERNIE MEYER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Holding convicted terrorists as counter-hostages in any attempt to repeat the Ma'alot outrage was one of the suggestions made at a protest rally of Jerusalem high school students held opposite the Knesset yesterday afternoon. The rally, attended by more than 1,000 pupils and teachers, had been organized by the Jerusalem High School Pupils Council.

Making the counter-hostage proposal, one speaker said that in future incidents the Government should threaten the death penalty against jailed terrorists if Israeli hostages are injured. Another called on pupils to demonstrate in front of Arab schools and demand that their principals come out with declarations condemning terrorism. Why should children in Nablus feel safe and free from worry? he asked.

At one point teachers had to intervene to protect four Rehavia Gymnasium pupils who promoted the Matzpen line defending Arab terrorism.

Pupils who spoke at the rally said they had no confidence in the protection provided by Haga (civil defence) men. One went so far as to say that the presence of Haga men only encouraged the terrorists.

Leaders of the country's youth movements had the day before criticized the security arrangements taken on the tragic trip of Safad and Hatzor high school pupils to Ma'alot. The Israel Council of Youth Movements, meeting in extraordinary session in Tel Aviv, noted that standing security arrangements call for youngsters on such Gadna trips to sleep in the open air, where they could disperse in the dark in case of an attack.

Rohan, Aksa arsonist, flown to Australia

B-G AIRPORT. — Dennis Michael Rohan, the Australian who set fire to the El Aksa Mosque in Jerusalem four years ago, was secretly flown out of Israel earlier this week.

The "Itim" reporter here learned yesterday that Rohan was spirited aboard a plane on Tuesday. He was brought to the airport by two escorts, who appeared to be male nurses from the Acre Mental Hospital where Rohan has been an inmate since he was adjudged mentally unbalanced by the court trying the arson attempt in 1969.

He was then handed over to two Australian security men who took him onto the plane and sat on either side of him. The plane took off after midnight.

The Interior Ministry announced its intention of deporting Rohan two months ago, but the exact date of his departure and his route to Melbourne were kept secret. (Itim)

Comedy of errors on housing

2,000 caravans for free — lost through ministry bureaucracy

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — An offer of 2,000 caravans by an American donor for temporary immigrant housing, may yet be retrieved, despite ministerial indecision and bureaucratic fumbling.

This emerged following a meeting held here earlier this week when Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir gave his authorization to take up the lapsed offer of 2,000 mobile homes for immigrants by a prominent American Jewish philanthropist. Half of them were offered free by one of U.S. Jewry's largest contributors and the rest at $6,000 per unit.

Each mobile home is air-conditioned and fully-furnished. The offer was made to acting Jewish Agency Chairman Arye Dulzin who has so far not revealed the donor's identity.

Mr. Sapir's authorization was made at a joint meeting also attended by Housing Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz, Absorption Minister Shlomo Rosen, Mr. Dulzin and their senior officials.

Mr. Rabinowitz opened the meeting by attacking Mr. Dulzin for having "slandered" his ministry's operations in a TV interview. The Agency acting chairman retorted by challenging the Housing Minister to refute his criticism.

Declaring, "I am now going to tell you a story of *chelem* in Israel," Mr. Dulzin related that Mr. Rabinowitz had first known of the offer of caravans on March 29 at a meeting in the Tel Aviv Hilton with himself and Agency Housing Committee Chairman Robert Russell and Agency Absorption Committee Chairman A. Edelman.

It was agreed to take up the offer because of the critical shortage of immigrant housing. The meeting at the Hilton ended with a decision to form a committee to take up the caravan offer, composed of top officials of the ministries of Housing, Absorption and the Agency, chaired by the then Housing Ministry Director-General Yosef Sharon.

That unit's duties included finding sites for the mobile homes. The minister and the agency chairman were fully aware (on March 29) that the option remained open for only 30 days.

After the Passover holiday, Mr. Dulzin was advised that Mr. Rabinowitz and Mr. Rosen favoured the scheme but the Finance Ministry was against it.

Mr. Dulzin complained that, despite the approaching deadline (for the expiry of the option), no top-level meeting was called to finalize the matter. On April 28, on the eve of the agency chairman's departure for a fund-raising mission abroad, he wrote to Premier Golda Meir about the matter: "I regret we have not only lost the offer but also a gift of $6m.

The outcome was this week's meeting in the Knesset. Mr. Sapir did not offer any explanation why his ministry had initially opposed the scheme but only asked Mr. Dulzin to contact the donor again and ask him to renew his offer. Mr. Dulzin promised to do his best. He left yesterday for Miami to attend a UJA conference.

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Haim Yahil dies at 69

Dr. Haim Yahil, former director-general of the Foreign Ministry and chairman of the Broadcasting Authority, died yesterday after a long illness. He was 69. The funeral will leave the Ministry in Jerusalem at 11 a.m. today for the Har Hamenuhot cemetery in Jerusalem.

Born in Czechoslovakia, Dr. Yahil studied political science at the universities of Prague and Vienna, and immigrated to Israel in 1929. After World War II, he served as consul in Germany and head of the Ministry's Information Department. From 1956-59, he was Israel's ambassador to Sweden, Norway and Iceland.

He was appointed director-general of the Foreign Ministry in 1960 and later was the first chairman of the Broadcasting Authority. In recent years, after retiring, he worked for the cause of the Land of Israel Movement.

Dr. Yahil is survived by his wife, Dr. Leni Yahil, a historian of the Holocaust period, and a son.

But gov't prefers housing units from Yugoslavia

Jerusalem Post Economic Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The government has finally decided to place a contract for 1,000 dwelling units with a Yugoslav construction firm, Housing Minister Rabinowitz announced here yesterday.

The dwellings will be ready after eight months, while local contractors need two years for completing such a job, Mr. Rabinowitz said. The four-storey houses will be built in several localities. The cost has not yet been finally worked out, but is expected to be not higher than that of local contractors. A three-room flat should cost from IL85,000 to IL90,000.

The decision to invite the Yugoslav contractor has been taken both in order to speed up residential construction, and to set an example for local builders, the Minister said. He stressed, that use of precast construction elements does not appreciably shorten the building period, because the major problem is not in the skeleton work, but in the finishing jobs, which account for most of the construction period.

Another thrust towards better building methods may come from the American contracting firm of Max Ratner, which is already active in Kiryat Ono, and plans to open a full-scale building factory here in September.

He was sceptical about the plan to import caravans, which need much land, involve a lot of ancillary cost, and do not last long in the local climate. However, he did not reject the idea outright. It is still under consideration, he said.

UNKNOWN PERSONS broke into the flat of Israel Epstein in Beersheba on Wednesday night and stole IL6,000 in cash and IL94,000 in jewellery and coins. Epstein who was one of the first barbers in Beersheba is now the owner of Ulamei Narkiss. He was not insured.

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30% Western immigrants quit; housing to blame, survey shows

Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent

Within three years, 30 per cent of the immigrants who arrived from the West in 1970 had left the country — but only 5 per cent of those from Eastern Europe, Asia or Africa had departed, according to a study published by the Immigrant Absorption Ministry.

Among the Westerners who left, half were single people. Most of the newcomers from Western Europe and North America had registered only as "potential immigrants." When asked two months after their arrival in 1969/70 whether they intended to stay, 86 per cent of the immigrants proper said yes, but only 32 per cent of the potential immigrants gave an affirmative answer.

The younger set have a higher tendency to go, and older people (30 and over) to stay. Professionals tend to be unsettled, mainly because it has become increasingly difficult to find jobs in their fields.

Settlers from the West are often satisfied with their immediate material and work situation, but are not sure whether they will stay. Those from the Soviet Union are less satisfied with the *status quo*, but a higher proportion intend to make their homes in Israel, because they identify with the country and have confidence in the future.

Authors of the study (Shmuel Adler, the Ministry's Economic Adviser, and Eli Leshem, head of planning and research) conclude that ideological considerations come before material satisfactions in determining whether a person wants to become an Israeli for good and all.

Referring to 1973, the study observes that immigration from the Soviet Union increased by six per cent compared with the year before, while the inflow from other countries fell by 12 per cent. The total from all sources remained unchanged. Causes of the decline from the West are thought to be housing (prices soared by 45 per cent in 1973) and the lack of openings for professionals.

There has been a sag in the entry of single persons, as follows (percentage of all immigrants): 1970: 35; 1971: 29; 1972: 19; 1973: 17.

The housing situation is becoming serious, according to this report. The Absorption Ministry and the Jewish Agency had predicted in 1971 that 60,000 immigrants would come in 1973, which was not far off the mark (the actual figure turned out to be 55,000). The Treasury had been sceptical, so "flats were not built in the quantities requested."

It was expected that 3,500 families would opt for a mortgage loan last year and make their own arrangements for housing, as 2,900 did in 1972. But inflated prices reduced the figure to 2,400 — the rest wanting a flat from the housing authorities.

In the coming months the position may worsen, unless drastic measures are taken. During the war period, all efforts were concentrated on finishing those dwellings which were already half-constructed (since more immigrants arrived in October than during any month in the last 10 years). The consequent lack of building starts will make itself felt in the near future.

Again, in 1973, 3,500 persons were accommodated temporarily in accommodation rented from private owners, 80 per cent of them in the coastal zone. They were promised permanent accommodation in the same area. And their number will be doubled to 7,000 this year, presenting yet another housing problem.

It follows from all this that Israel needs in future to build up a much larger reserve of flats for newcomers if immigration is to run smoothly. The report adds that all those who arrived in 1969/70 (except some of the single people) were in permanent housing three years later. A high degree of satisfaction was expressed with the accommodation provided.

In the 12 months ending August 1973, 18,000 immigrants found work — 40 per cent of them in industry (as against 25 per cent of the community at large), and 50 per cent in the services (as against 52 per cent). Thus few went to transport, building or agriculture.

Unemployed numbered 10 per cent after their first year, 7 per cent after their second year, and 5 per cent after their third year. This is still higher than the general ratio, which is 2.5 per cent. Chief difficulty concerns the over-55's. Their situation has improved, however, thanks to the Special Pensions Plan which came into force in April of this year. It ensures a minimum income after retirement, even for people who did not complete the requisite 10 years of membership in a pension scheme. This reassures employers who are nervous about taking on this kind of job-seeker.

Three-quarters of the persons questioned expressed satisfaction with their employment. But 40 per cent said (after one year in the country) that they wanted to change jobs. The motive is a desire to improve their status and earnings. They have also achieved a greater familiarity with the employment market, the report observes.

Professionals are arriving in such numbers that job opportunities in their sector have shrunk. Three aid projects have been devised: a fund to subsidise salaries; a Centre for Absorption in the Sciences, which finances research activities for qualified immigrants; and most recently a New Enterprises Fund, which helps people and companies to launch "technologist-intensive" investments.

Half the immigrants believe they have not yet caught up with their previous living standards overseas; but 70 per cent are satisfied with their current situation.

Egged strike averted

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Egged's threatened halt of bus services on Sunday has been averted, Egged spokesman Mordechai Shifman said yesterday.

A plan was now being worked out to enable Egged to use its compulsory employers' loan certificates as collateral for the loans it will receive.

The Director-General of the Transport Ministry, Dan Hiram, told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday that, with the approval of the Ministers of Finance and Transport, he had requested the Governor of the Bank of Israel to grant Egged a loan of IL25m., using the employers' loan as collateral. The loan will be on the same credit terms that the government specifies for the employers' loan. This is linked to the index.

The chairman of Egged's Secretariat had said earlier this week that Egged's present financial difficulties were a result of a severe drop in the number of passengers since the October war, and the large development loans that the cooperative is paying off.

During the past two years the cooperative has invested over IL250m. in new buses and another IL25m. in building projects such as garages and bus stations.

The Egged spokesman termed as baseless reports that Egged members are drawing monthly salaries of about IL4,500. Mr. Shifman said that members are now earning IL2,000 gross per month including overtime. "If they were not members of the cooperative they would go out on strike, demanding a raise in pay," he added.

More price increases

The Price Commission yesterday turned down a request by gas companies to raise the cost of installing equipment and appointed a sub-committee to study the matter further. It did, however grant the following price increases:

Vita soups will rise an average of 12 per cent; regular ground coffee by 20 per cent for a 100-gram package to IL1.50. Packaged nuts will go up in price by 9.7 per cent; Froumine waffles and cookies by 10 per cent.

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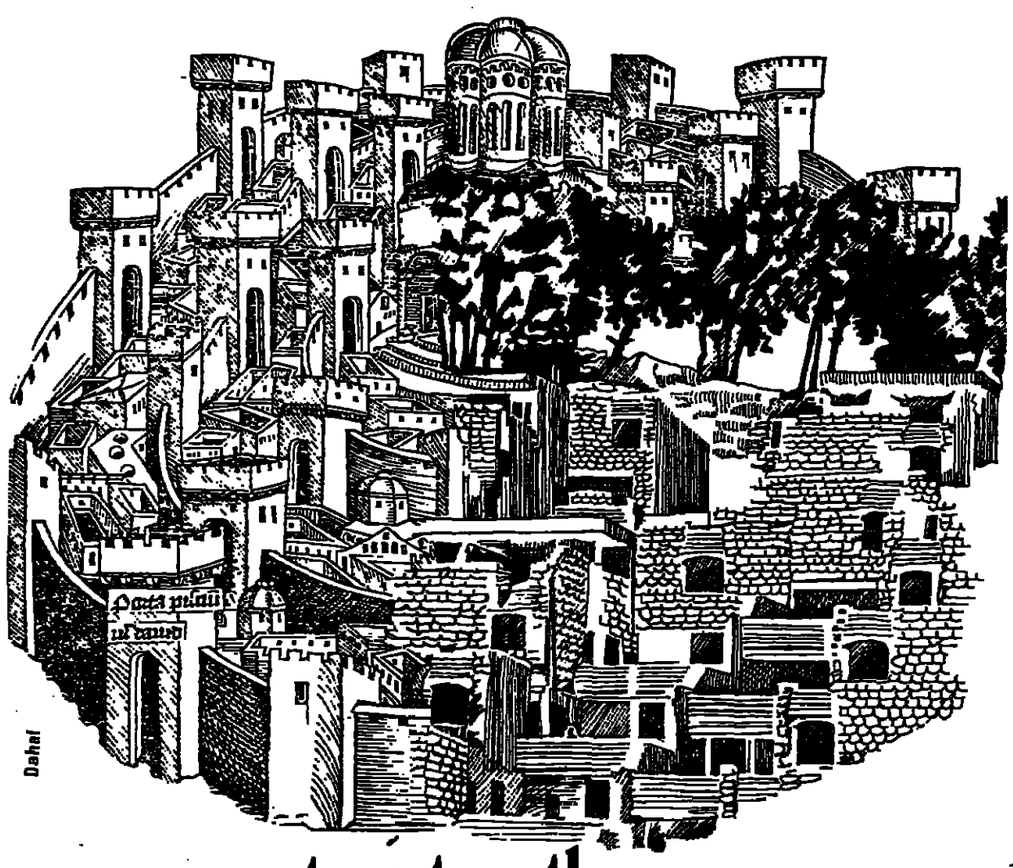

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Schmidt elected Chancellor; down-to-earth policy expected

By BRIAN ARTHUR
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

BONN. — Social Democrat Helmut Schmidt was elected Chancellor of West Germany by a comfortable majority of parliament yesterday, and afterwards formally sworn into his new office.

The vote for 56-year-old Mr. Schmidt was 267 of the 492 deputies present in the 496-member Bundestag. This gave him 18 votes more than the absolute majority of 249 which he needs to control the legislature.

It also meant that Mr. Schmidt, a tough-talking party conservative from Hamburg, has the overwhelming support of his left-liberal coalition of 271 deputies.

However, observers calculate that at least three rebels in Mr. Schmidt's ranks side with the Christian Democrats, to bring the total opposition vote against him to 225.

Mr. Schmidt will deliver his official statement of policy to the Bundestag today. However, the outlines of his new down-to-earth approach are already clear.

He has put together a Cabinet dominated by pragmatic, Socialist professionals with close ties with the labour unions, whose support he needs to win national elections two years from now.

Except, perhaps, for his bright and brash young Finance Minister, Hans Apel, who is 42, it is a Cabinet in which Mr. Schmidt alone is likely to dazzle with his sharp tongue and restless dynamism. This fits with the Chancellor's image as a man of decision and authority who cuts through red tape and gets things done where other people are still foundering in details.

In domestic and foreign policies, Mr. Schmidt has already pledged himself to follow the broad lines laid down by his predecessor, Mr. Brandt, but his public remarks so far make clear that he has virtually reversed the priorities.

Where Brandt launched bold diplomatic initiatives in search of East-West detente, Schmidt says he will concentrate on beating monetary inflation at home and on pressing the Common Market to put its economic house in order.

Instead of proclaiming, as did Mr. Brandt, numerous (and costly) domestic reform programmes, Schmidt simply plans to cut taxes by ten to 12 billion marks and make up for the loss in revenue through a reduction in government spending.

Mr. Schmidt's chief concern at present is clearly to win back the affections of voters who have turned away from the Social Democratic Party under the impact of inflation and Mr. Brandt's inability to control the party's small but vociferous Marxist wing.

Schmidt's apparent remedy for these ills falls in line with his bent for practical political solutions: tax reforms favouring people with low middle-incomes; heavy reliance on labour union support; and probably a dialogue with party radicals — in which Schmidt will insist on the final say.

Soviet President Nikolai Podgorny, left, with Libyan Premier Jalloud in Moscow yesterday. (AP radiophoto)

France, Israel clarify views

(Continued from page one)

their ultimatum. He had sought to speak to the Defence Minister or to the Chief of Staff, but this had not been possible, and minutes later the firing had begun and the troops had stormed the building.

Mr. Herly was certain that the Israel authorities had not wilfully sought to prevent him from speaking to the terrorists. "But I still ask myself and wonder: what could have been done that wasn't done between five o'clock and six?"

Herly's version differed from that of Information Minister Shimon Peres, who briefed newsmen in Jerusalem minutes after the school was stormed. Peres had said that the army had been ordered in when it had become clear that the code-word by which the French Ambassador, or the Rumanian Ambassador, was to identify himself to the terrorists and negotiate with them, would not arrive in time. Peres said that the ambassadors could not have talked to the terrorists without the code, and that the terrorists themselves had stressed this several times during the day.

The Ambassador's version is corroborated by the chronological record of yesterday's diplomatic contacts which was issued by the Foreign Ministry (and published in yesterday's *Jerusalem Post*). But this document also seems to show that the Cabinet in Jerusalem genuinely misunderstood the terrorists' conditions, and believed that a codeword must arrive before all else.

At 3.32, the document records, the French Ambassador requested and received permission to go to Ma'alot, "even though he had not received the codeword."

Chief of Staff Mordechai Gur also seemed to back up Mr. Herly's account when he told newsmen last night that at 3.30 the three terrorists had revealed that the codeword was only to reach Israel once the 20 prisoners were flown to Damascus. Rav-Aluf Gur said that if Israel had known this earlier, it would have acted differently.

He added, though, that when Herly arrived at Ma'alot, the terrorists threatened to shoot him should he try to approach.

The Foreign Ministry document, on the other hand, confirms Peres' version in so far as the Rumanian Ambassador was concerned. His government, too, had been contacted by the terrorist headquarters and had been informed that he would be the only acceptable mediator. He was to receive a codeword as soon as he reported to Bucharest that Israel was willing in principle to free the 20 men. This he did — but no codeword arrived, as he reported to Jerusalem for the last time at 5.15. It was apparently on receipt of this last report that the cabinet took the decision to storm the school.

Officials in Jerusalem noted yesterday that Israel would not have agreed to the terrorist demands if conveyed to the French, whereby she was to free the 20 prisoners and only then begin negotiating with the Ma'alot assailants. They stressed that the cabinet's decision to release the 20 was quite genuine and that they would have been freed had negotiations been possible — through either ambassador — to arrange for the simultaneous release of the captive children, with the diplomats acting as guarantors of both sides' good faith.

Jack Maurice cables from Paris:

The French Foreign Ministry confirmed Ambassador Herly's account of how he tried to act as mediator just before the massacre. But Quai d'Orsay officials declined to express an opinion on whether the victims could have been saved had the envoy been allowed to enter the school without the terrorists' password.

PRESIDENT EXPLAINS WHY HE WON'T RESIGN

I'll stick it out, Nixon affirms

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. (AP). — President Nixon "intends to stick it out" and not resign, says conservative columnist James J. Kilpatrick, who interviewed the President yesterday.

Kilpatrick said Nixon reiterated his determination neither to resign, take the 25th amendment, nor submit tamely to impeachment.

Kilpatrick said Nixon told him he fears that "if he were to submit to popular clamour and resign when he feels he has not committed an impeachable offence, then every president in the future will be looking over his shoulder to Capitol Hill and saying, 'What are those fellows up there going to think of this'?"

If the House of Representatives votes for impeachment, Nixon said he would accept the verdict "with good grace" and then defend himself to the very end before the Senate.

In giving the reasons for his decision not to resign, Nixon said that to do so would fatally weaken future presidents.

"The U.S. holds the key as to whether peace survives and to whether freedom survives," Nixon said. "That demands a strong U.S. — strong militarily, strong economically, and strong in the character of its people, a people with a sense of vision. Not turning inward and tearing each other apart and not becoming so as they become rich.

"But it also requires, whoever may be in this office, a strong president."

Nixon told Kilpatrick "I am not guilty of any offence under the constitution that is called an impeachable offence."

Knowing that, Nixon said, it would be a mistake to resign simply because of sagging popularity in the polls and criticism from members of Congress.

Kilpatrick wrote that the President looked "well and strong" and that Nixon said that he sleeps "as well as anybody at this age sleeps."

The columnist added that Nixon's conversation "tends to run on tangents" and that Nixon talks in broken sentences. But Kilpatrick added: "The President plainly is in command of his situation."

Nixon says hearings should be public

WASHINGTON. — President Nixon's lawyer yesterday called for the closed doors of the congressional impeachment hearings to be thrown open to the public immediately because of leaks about the evidence being heard.

"There is no protection to the President," Chief Defence Counsel James St. Clair told reporters as the House of Representatives Judiciary Committee began its fourth day of hearings of Nixon's handling of the Watergate affair.

St. Clair was protesting at leaks about alleged omissions in the White House's edited transcript of a presidential conversation. He also said there was no change in the White House's refusal to give the committee additional tape recordings, including the 11 subpoenaed by the committee on Wednesday.

The latest dispute between the White House and the committee arose after committee members disclosed some passages were missing in the edited transcript of a September 15, 1972 recording.

A copy of a transcript of the meeting prepared by the committee was leaked to the "Washington Post." It showed that the President threatened, "The Post' is going to have damnable, damnable problems..." as a result of its full-scale investigation into the Watergate break-in three months earlier.

That section of the conversation was omitted from the transcript made public by the White House on April 30.

Meanwhile, various committee members told reporters they were shocked at hearing the tape recording and thought it damaged the President more than the original batch of White House transcripts made public after Nixon refused to comply with the committee's first subpoena on April 11 for 42 tape recordings.

St. Clair told reporters: "I am very disturbed at the breach of confidentiality. I am going to ask that all the hearings be made public. There is no protection to the President."

The committee is holding its initial evidence-taking sessions behind closed doors to protect various third parties, including defendants in Watergate-related trials. The panel planned to begin public hearings next Tuesday.

In other developments yesterday former U.S. Attorney General Richard G. Kleindienst pleaded guilty to a misdemeanour charge that he refused to answer senators' questions about talks he had with Nixon about the International Telephone and Telegraph Corp. (ITT) antitrust case.

Kleindienst, the first Attorney General or former Attorney General ever to be convicted of a crime, faces a minimum jail sentence of one month and a fine of $100.

Kleindienst had admitted earlier that he did not tell the Senate Judiciary Committee at his confirmation hearing in 1972 that Nixon ordered him to drop his suit against the giant conglomerate.

"I was wrong in not having been more candid with the committee and I sincerely regret it," Kleindienst said.

U.S. District Judge George L. Hart Jr., promised to expedite sentencing. He could suspend the sentence.

"Oh, that's for the birds," commented Pat Nixon yesterday when asked about a newspaper story concerning a gift of jewellery from the Saudi Arabian royal family.

Mrs. Nixon was responding to a report in the "Washington Post" that the jewels had been kept in Mrs. Nixon's bedroom safe before being recorded in a special White House gifts office.

(Reuter, AP)

VIP treatment for Jalloud in Soviet

MOSCOW. — Soviet Communist Party leader Leonid Brezhnev met yesterday Libyan Prime Minister Abdel Salam Jalloud in the Kremlin.

Tass news agency, reporting the meeting, did not give any details of topics discussed.

Earlier, Tass said Jalloud had also met President Podgorny for talks on bilateral relations, the Middle East and other international questions of mutual interest.

The Libyan Prime Minister, who arrived here on Tuesday, has also been having talks with Premier Kosygin. It is expected these centre on patching up the strained relations between the two countries as well as Soviet military and economic aid to Libya.

Writing from London, UPI's expert on Soviet affairs, K. C. Thaler, says:

Russia, pushing for a new Soviet-oriented, anti-American Arab bloc, has offered Libya a Sam air defence system, other arms and military advisers.

The Soviets are said by Middle East diplomatic sources to be working on a new alignment with militant, hardline Arab regimes, to link Syria, Iraq and Libya.

The hitherto strongly anti-Communist, anti-Soviet regime of Gaddafi is shifting towards Moscow, after having been rebuffed by Egypt's President Sadat, and the conservative Arab states.

Middle East sources say Libya had received Soviet offers in advance of the current Moscow talks. The Libyans will pay in hard currency, which is an additional attraction for Moscow.

Moscow reportedly has offered to install an air defence system in Libya on the pattern of that set up in Egypt and Syria. Moscow also may supply, according to the sources, anti-tank missiles.

Libya has recently concluded agreements with East European countries for the supply of oil. Oil may figure also in the new Russo-Libyan cooperation plans, with Libyan oil replacing some of the Soviet supplies to its allies.

The sources said the new development is still in its early stages, but Russia seems more than ready to strengthen relations with Libya, irrespective of the ideological and political antagonism of the very recent past.

(Reuter, UPI)

Labour unrest, fears of policy clashes as Lisbon cabinet formed

LISBON (Reuter). — Portugal's new provisional civilian government — including Communist and Socialist leaders — took over yesterday with the mission of restoring democracy and achieving peace in the African territories.

The 15-man government, headed by Prime Minister Adelino da Palma Carlos, a 69-year-old law professor, was sworn in at the Belem presidential palace against a background of labour unrest and potential policy clashes.

The ministers were sworn in by President Antonio de Spinola, head of the seven-man junta swept to power in a military coup here three weeks ago. General Spinola took office just before the new government was announced here on Wednesday night.

The government was appointed with the avowed aim of leading the country back to democracy after 48 years of totalitarian rule. It is charged with preparing Portugal for free general elections within a year.

Another major task facing the broadly-based Cabinet is the urgent formulation of concrete and detailed proposals for the future of the African territories — Angola, Mozambique and Portuguese Guinea — where nationalist guerrillas have been waging war for the last 13 years.

Professor Palma Carlos, a right-of-centre Democrat, business executive and respected opponent of the Salazar dictatorship, may run into difficulties in keeping the Cabinet together, political sources said.

The main problem is likely to arise over what to do about the territories. Dr. Mario Soares, Socialist Party leader and the new Foreign Minister, has gone on record as calling for complete independence as demanded by the guerrilla organizations. He has the backing of Communist leader, Dr. Alvaro Cunhal, a minister without portfolio but with major political influence.

President Spinola, a cavalry officer who governed Portuguese Guinea for four years until last autumn, has suggested, in contrast, a loose federal system giving the territories virtual autonomy and equality with metropolitan Portugal. Lisbon would keep control of foreign policy, defence and finance.

The new government must settle a rash of labour disputes in key industries. About 200,000 textile workers throughout the country have threatened to strike today to back demands for a 40 per cent pay increase.

Meanwhile, a group of former political prisoners left Lourenco Marques, Mozambique, for Tanzania to discuss peace with Frelimo leaders as news came that four people had died in a new guerrilla attack only 30 kms. from Beira. At the same time, Mozambique has been hit by industrial unrest in several urban centres, including Beira, which has come as a direct result of the new freedom of expression granted by the Lisbon junta.

200,000 Danes walk off jobs

COPENHAGEN (UPI). — Tens of thousands of striking workers massed outside the Parliament building yesterday as more than 200,000 Danes across the nation walked off their jobs to protest against the government's controversial tax package, union spokesman said.

Shipyard workers, printers, post office clerks, railway men and brewery workers were among the more than 200,000 taxpayers who went on strike to protest against Prime Minister Poul Hartling's plan to combat inflation and Denmark's economic woes by lowering income tax and raising levies on luxury and imported goods.

Four indicted in Zebra slayings

SAN FRANCISCO (AP). — A grand jury indicted four black men yesterday on murder charges in the Zebra street slayings of whites that have claimed 13 lives and injured seven others in the last six months.

The indictments named three men already in custody and a fourth man now serving a prison term in another case.

Those indicted were Manuel Moore, 29, J.C. Simon, 27, and Larry Green, 22, all of whom pleaded innocent earlier to murder charges. Indicted with them was Jessie Cooks, identified as a state prison inmate.

Superior Court Judge Clayton Horn set bail for each at $300,000.

Iraqis suffer heavy losses, Kurds claim

ISTANBUL (Reuter). — Iraqi troops have suffered heavy casualties in two days of fighting with Kurdish rebel troops, reports reaching Hakkari, south-east Turkey, said yesterday.

The Voice of Kurdistan radio said that 156 Iraqi officers and men had been killed. Kurdish losses were given as 16 dead and 24 wounded.

American queen leaves her king

NEW YORK (AP). — Hope Cooke, the American debutante who became the queen of Sikkim in the Himalayas, has left her husband and is living almost unnoticed in New York, the "New York Times" reported yesterday.

Miss Cooke, 33, has been separated from King Palden Thondup Namgyal, 49, since last July. The "Times" quoted the king as saying in a recent interview that "she was unhappy here and so she left."

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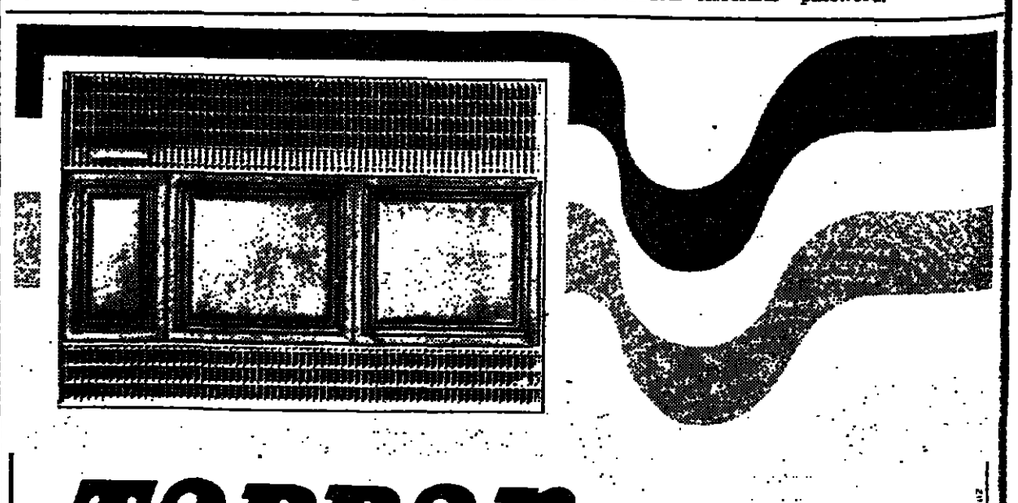

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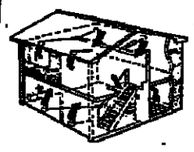

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'The Palestinian cause must be sick indeed'

WEST CONDEMNS THE OUTRAGE

The Ma'alot outrage was condemned in world capitals yesterday.

The Post's London correspondent, David Lennon, writes:

The "evil outrage" at Ma'alot, as Prime Minister Harold Wilson described it on Wednesday, shocked public opinion here. Wilson's message to Golda Meir in which he referred to it as a "brutal act of terrorism" and expressed the sympathy of the British Government with the loss of young lives reflects the general reaction among the British public. The Foreign Office also put out two statements "deeply deploring" the attack.

The "Daily Telegraph" commented editorially that the "horrifying attack is sorry evidence that the Palestinian cause must be sick indeed" and that the cause "has sunk to deplorable depths of evil."

"There will quite rightly be public indignation," the paper continues, "that terrorists could find so many unguarded hostages immediately after the alerts that followed the Kiryat Shmona massacre. The Israeli Government would be justified in considering whether capital punishment... would help to maintain security."

The "Financial Times," the only other paper to comment editorially yesterday, said: 'No words are adequate to express the scale of the atrocity that a trio of Palestinian terrorists perpetrated upon a hundred Israeli children on Wednesday.

"If past experience is any guide the Israelis will feel obliged to retaliate — this time perhaps massively — into Arab territory, so that hatred will be added to hatred, revenge upon revenge, and the desperately delicate framework of disengagement and eventual peace that Dr. Kissinger has been trying to fashion will be gravely, even fatally, damaged.

"The Israeli instinct to seek refuge from their grief and frustration by striking back and attempting, yet again, to teach the Arabs a lesson is understandable. But Israel has tried so often in the past 26 years to teach this lesson that one is nevertheless forced to ask whether it is possible that the lesson will ever be learned.

"The wider consequences of an Israeli strike in these coming days against, for example, Southern Lebanon, need no exaggeration. It would be practically impossible for the other Arab governments to continue their negotiations with Jerusalem via Dr. Kissinger."

Turning to the rescue operation, the "Financial Times" continued: "The Israeli handling of the episode appears to have been bungled — there is no other way to describe a tactic which resulted in the killing or the wounding of almost all the children involved.

"The responsibility presumably belongs to Mrs. Meir's caretaker government and in particular to Defence Minister Moshe Dayan. Following the sustained and agonised self-criticism the Israelis have been indulging in since the shocks of the October war, the consequences of Wednesday's incident might well be as significant for the Israel political scene as for the immediate diplomacy of Dr. Kissinger."

Foreign Secretary James Callaghan sent a message to Foreign Minister Abba Eban and Deputy Prime Minister Yigal Allon, the Foreign Office said.

Zionist delegation

Parliamentary Undersecretary Robert Ennals received a delegation from the Zionist Federation during which he deplored the tragedy and expressed the hope that it would not hinder progress on military disengagement in the Middle East, a Government spokesman said.

The Post's Paris correspondent, Jack Maurice, writes:

The French press unanimously condemned the wanton slaughter of school children but expressed reservations about the Israeli decision to attack the building before the expiry of the terrorists' deadline.

In a front-page headline entitled "Hearts of Stone," "Le Monde" said: "Never have men who call themselves warriors deliberately attacked a group of children in order to make hostages of them. Some people speak of savagery. But this slanders savages. What happened in Galilee in this land where for the first time in history men were asked two thousand years ago to love their enemies, is unfortunately a demonstration of hatred in its modern form — unrelenting and universal."

"Le Monde" said there were no circumstances which could diminish the guilt of the killers. The newspaper added: "neither the liberation of Palestine will be hastened by a single day nor the safety of Israel strengthened. The negotiations on disengagement on the Golan Heights will perhaps be delayed. And then what next?"

"Le Figaro's" Middle East expert, Yves Cuau, wrote: "It is an immense piece of cowardice which nothing can excuse. By using such methods the Palestinian organizations outlaw themselves."

Commenting on the Israeli decision to launch an assault on the school, Cuau added: "The 'technical' reasons put forward by several officials in Jerusalem are hardly convincing. Perhaps an exchange was possible in spite of the communications difficulties between the Fedayeen and the foreign mediators. But Israel refused to yield and will probably never yield to hostage blackmail."

"L'Aurore" said the Palestinians' refusal to compromise was the cause of the victims' deaths. The conservative newspaper said: "The time limit which they set was not long enough to complete negotiations which involved the release of 20 terrorists in prison in Israel. The assault against the school at Ma'alot was therefore inevitable and so, in spite of the speed and skill of the avengers, was bloodshed."

In Rome, angry demonstrators broke into the home of the Lebanese Ambassador yesterday yelling "Arab murderers," and "Long live Israel."

The Ambassador, Tewfik 'Awad, called the police, but when they arrived 35 minutes later, the crowd had already dispersed.

More than 1,000 Italian Jews demonstrated in front of the Rome Synagogue on Wednesday night. In a statement released afterwards, they called on public opinion and political leaders "to energetically condemn the authors of the massacre as well as the organizations which sent them and the governments of those states which give them shelter, support and arms."

Italian Foreign Ministry sources condemned the massacre expressing "keen preoccupation lest similar acts of violence... should mar efforts underway for peace, particularly in this delicate phase."

The attack provoked widespread condemnation in Italian newspapers yesterday. They agreed that an Israeli reprisal was probably imminent and the prospects of disengagement between Israel and Syria were now very slim.

"La Stampa" of Turin called the attack "one of the most atrocious and frightening acts of terrorism which have been carried out by terrorists in the heart of the Jewish state."

Italy's top circulation newspaper "Corriere Della Sera" of Milan said in a front page editorial that the prospects of peace were no longer good: "The concessions which Israel had been obliged to make are no longer possible."

The Japanese Foreign Ministry in Tokyo yesterday described the raid on Ma'alot and the deaths of the schoolchildren as a most tragic incident. A Ministry spokesman said in a statement:

"The incident is a most tragic one. We deeply regret that so many young children were killed. We would like to express our sincere sympathy and deep condolences to the bereaved families of the slain children. "On the one hand, although the Palestinian group may have their own justification, we are definitely against the use of violence such as this one. On the other hand, we sincerely hope Israel will take the case calmly and that the cycle of hostilities and revenge will be stopped."

Australia shocked

Prime Minister Gough Whitlam and Foreign Minister Donald Willesee of Australia yesterday strongly condemned the attack. Whitlam said he was deeply shocked and described the action as "a deplorable extension of the shocking practice of taking hostages." He said events such as those at Ma'alot could only prolong bitterness and hostility in the Middle East and harm the search for a lasting peace. Willesee particularly deplored that children had suffered. He said he was horrified and offered his condolences to their families.

An estimated 100 young Mexican Jews demonstrated peacefully in front of the Lebanese Embassy in Mexico City. Some of the protesters carried signs reading "Children Are Not Soldiers" and "Schools Are Not Military Bases."

The pictures, distributed by the terrorists in Beirut on Wednesday night, show the three men who reportedly carried out the Ma'alot massacre in heroic poses. Left to right: Ali Ahmed Hassan, 27, said to have been born in Haifa, Ahmed Saleh, 19, said to have been born in Jerusalem, and Ziad Abdel-Rahim, 22, born in Aka'ek, near Nablus. (AP radiophoto)

Fanaticism must be stopped, says U.S.

John Scali, the U.S. ambassador to the U.N., said yesterday: "I am sickened, outraged and depressed by this barbaric incident. These are actions of desperate men who have waged war so long that they are afraid of peace. This fanaticism must be condemned by humanity and must be stopped. But we must not permit this tragedy to deflect us from our goal of an enduring peace and a world where neighbours live as compassionate friends, and the innocent walk unafraid."

Scali's statement did not indicate whether the U.S. would bring the incident before the Security Council.

The "Washington Post" editorial yesterday, dealing with the massacre at Ma'alot, said "the particular purpose of this outburst of Palestinian savagery presumably was to spoil the continuing efforts at a Mideast settlement. To Palestinians, so minded, reason, good will, and a spirit of compromise are deadly foes. We cannot believe, however, that Israelis and responsible Arabs will allow this terrible shock to halt the diplomatic progress the region has been making since the October war. If a Syrian-Israeli disengagement has been slowed, it must not be halted. That would give the terrorists a far greater victory than the one they are claiming at Ma'alot."

The "Christian Science Monitor" editorially condemned "the use of children as hostages in warfare" The paper viewed this act "against noncombatant civilians" as a "more urgent reason for all concerned to push on for that settlement between Israel and Syria which U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger is trying so hard to reach."

About 250 Jews marched peacefully outside the Lebanese consulate in Hollywood yesterday in protest against the raid in Ma'alot. "Jews are not going to stand idly by while Lebanese representatives and diplomats live the good life in Los Angeles, Chicago and New York," said an organiser of the march, Irv Rubin, former regional leader of the militant Jewish Defence League.

In an editorial entitled "Crime Against Peace," the "New York Times" said yesterday in part: "The Palestinian lunatic fringe has committed the most abominable yet of its long series of cowardly murderous outrages. The purpose of Wednesday's attack at Ma'alot, the holding of scores of children as hostages, was as obvious as it was heinous: so to inflame passions and suspicions that the negotiations for disengagement between Israel and Syria would collapse.

"Now, more than ever, such an accord is vital to the peoples of the Middle East. The criminal fanatics guilty of this unspeakable atrocity committed against children would only receive a posthumous reward if the dialogue progressing through Secretary of State Kissinger's mediation, were now allowed totally to lapse.

"The weapon of terror is a heavy burden upon the Middle East and the world. Beyond the specific terrorist organizations themselves, which proudly proclaim their inhuman tactics, various Arab governments — including Syria — cannot avoid a large share of responsibility.

"If disengagement between Israel and Syria was in the two governments' interests before the Ma'alot raid, it is even more so now. If that process is to make headway, it is up to the government of Syria to make a conciliatory move, to give Israel some signal now that the subhuman raid on Ma'alot does not reflect Arab governments' purpose or designs. If Syria's leaders have any interest at all in reaching an accomodation, in making their professions of peaceful intent convincing, this is the moment for them to show it."

Arab states mum, but press praises action

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter and agencies

Arab governments yesterday withheld official comment on the Ma'alot outrage, although the press throughout the Arab world justified the action. The papers said that Israel was to blame because of its "double-dealing."

In Cairo, Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmy yesterday conferred with Fatah leader Yasser Arafat, who arrived in Egypt unannounced on Wednesday evening. No details on the talks were disclosed but it is believed the Ma'alot tragedy was discussed.

The meeting with Arafat took place amid reports of terrorist fears of a massive Israel retaliation against terror bases in Lebanon, and Cairo's disquiet over world reactions towards the Ma'alot outrage.

Reuter quoted an Egyptian official yesterday as saying that the Ma'alot attack "should not blind the world to the fate of the Palestinians, whose cause had been neglected for 26 years." "Such actions as the attack should not be ascribed to the majority of the Palestinians," the official added.

Some observers in Cairo said there was a danger that the killings would so inflame Israel public opinion that the government would be prevented from making concessions to Syria in the disengagement negotiations.

Others suggested, however, that the raid would demonstrate to the Israelis that there was no alternative to coming to terms with the Palestinians.

The semi-official newspaper "Al-Gomhouria" said in a banner headline that "Israel resorted to deceit which led to a massacre."

An "Al-Ahram" editorial said the incident stressed the importance of recognising the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people. "The real culprits," it said, "are those who rendered homeless the Palestinian people... those who planted grudges and hatred in the hearts of the Palestinians.. those intransigents who refuse to recognise the Palestinian peoples' rights."

TERROR LEADER DEFENDS ATTACK

BEIRUT (Reuter). — A terrorist leader said that the Ma'alot operation was staged to demonstrate Palestinian rejection of "Dr. Kissinger's attempts to liquidate the Palestine case." He also said that more attacks were planned.

Nayef Hawatmeh, secretary-general of the Popular Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFDLP), the group responsible for the outrage, accused the U.S. Secretary of State of seeking a Middle East settlement that would mean the surrender of the Palestinian people.

Another motive for the Ma'alot attack, he told the Beirut newspaper "An-Nahar" in an interview published yesterday, was to warn against handing the West Bank back to King Hussein.

Hawatmeh said the three terrorists blew up the school building after Israeli troops had tried to storm it "with the aim of killing our revolutionaries."

Hawatmeh reaffirmed his group's policy in favour of setting up an interim Palestinian authority on any "Palestinian" territory won back from Israel, such as the West Bank.

It will be established "on all Palestinian territory liberated through the armed and popular struggle the Palestinian entity, within the framework of a national, democratic, independent and armed authority..."

A PDFLP spokesman was quoted in another Beirut newspaper, "Al-Bayraq," as saying that the Ma'alot attack was not considered a failure, unless the word "success" only meant the release of the 26 prisoners they had demanded. He said it was remarkable that the operation had been carried out in spite of Israel's strict security measures on the occasion of the 26th anniversary of the founding of the State.

Asked whether more operations inside Israel were planned, he replied: "Certainly. That is the justification for our existence."

Meanwhile the Palestinian terrorist leadership issued a statement overnight pledging that Palestinians would continue to bear arms against the "Zionist enemy until final victory, the destruction of the Zionist entity and the establishment of the Palestinian Democratic State."

Egypt approves Sadat's policy

CAIRO (AP). — President Sadat's post-war liberalization programme won approval of 99.95 per cent of the voters in a national referendum, Interior Minister Mamdouh Salem announced Thursday.

Of some eight million who voted on Wednesday, only 3,714 oppose the programme embodied in Sadat's "October Policy Paper," Salem said.

The paper supported individual freedom and national unity, and stressed an open door economic policy designed to attract foreign investment.

No Soviet-Egypt crisis, says Moscow envoy

CAIRO (AP). — The new Soviet ambassador-designate to Egypt, Vladimir Polyakov, does not believe "there is any kind of crisis" between Egypt and his country, it was reported yesterday.

"I came with the intention of developing and strengthening relations between the two countries," Polyakov was quoted as saying by the Cairo press. "That is a prime aim of the Soviet Union. Not for the sake of the two peoples alone but for the sake of world peace," said Polyakov after presenting a copy of his credentials to Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmy.

'Arabs were ready for chemical war'

WASHINGTON (UPI). — Pentagon officials have said the Arab armies got Soviet chemical warfare defensive equipment during last October's Middle East war.

Amos A. Jordan, acting assistant defence secretary for international affairs, told a House armed services sub-committee: "During the October 1973 war in the Middle East, the Soviets provided the Arabs with chemical warfare defensive equipment. However, no chemical weapons were used during the conflict."

Under questioning by sub-committee members, Jordan and Dr. Fred Wikner, head of the arms limitation task force, said they did not know why the Arabs got such equipment.

Tito elected to post for life

BELGRADE (UPI). — The newly-constituted Yugoslav Parliament yesterday elected President Tito to office for life and confirmed the appointment of the nine members of the State Presidium which Tito intends should lead the country after his death.

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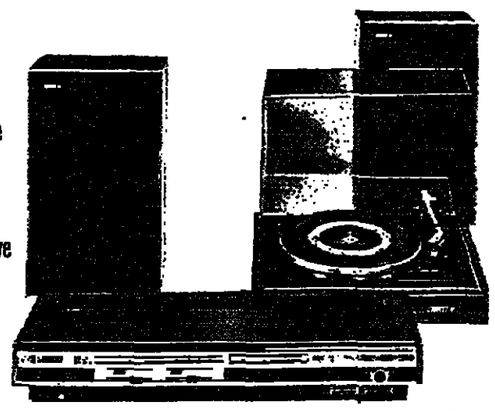

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MONDAY, JUNE 3:
1 The Land of Israel in the Teachings of the Rav — Nahum Arieli, lecturer at Bar-Ilan University
2 The Philosophy of Rabbi Kook and the Confusion of Our Time — Eliezer Livneh
3 The Complexity of Belief in the Generation of the Revival — Rabbi Haim Druckman
4 A Man Against the Stream — Rabbi Shmuel Hacohen-Avidor, Rabbi of Kfar Shmaryahu
5 Social Evening: Hassidim in Words and Music — Giora Feidman, A Hassidic scholar and clarinetist in the Philharmonic Orchestra

TUESDAY, JUNE 4:
1 The Land of Israel in the Teachings of the Rav — Nahum Arieli
2 Repentance in the Teachings of the Rav — Rabbi Eliezer Waldman, Head of the Kiryat Arba Yeshiva
3 A Guided Tour of an Exhibition of the Rav — Rabbi H. Druckman
4 Mission and Redemption in the Teachings of the Rav — Prof. Rivka Shatz, The Hebrew University
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6 Communal singing

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FOREMAN, ALI TO FIGHT IN ZAIRE IN SEPTEMBER

WORLD Heavyweight Champion George Foreman and challenger Muhammad Ali will meet in a title fight in Kinshasa, Zaire, on September 24.

Details of the multi-million dollar bout, from which each boxer will receive a record 5 million dollars, were unveiled at a news conference in New York on Wednesday called by the promoters, Video Techniques, Inc., and representatives of the African country.

It will be the first time a heavyweight championship fight has been held on that continent.

The promoters are predicting a 30-million-dollar gross, most of the money coming from closed circuit television throughout the world. The bout, to be staged in Kinshasa's soccer stadium, will start at 3 a.m. local time in order to meet a 10 p.m. time slot in the eastern zone of the United States.

The Kinshasa bout will be Foreman's third defence of the championship which he won by knocking out Joe Frazier in two rounds at Kingston, Jamaica, in January last year.

The 24-year-old champion required only one round to stop his first challenger, Joe (King) Roman in Tokyo last September, and he knocked out Ken Norton in two rounds at Caracas, Venezuela, in March this year.

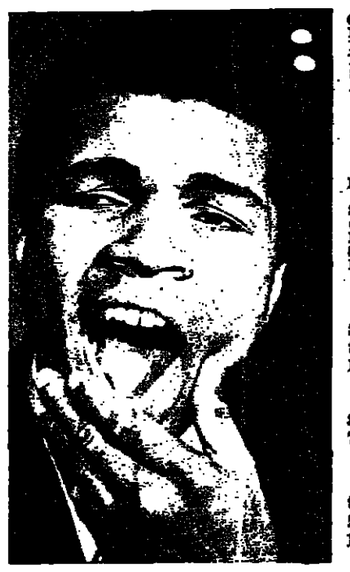
Foreman has won all 40 of his professional fights, 37 of them within the distance.

Ali, 32, was stripped of title recognition for refusing to enter military service in April 1967. He has won 44 of his 46 fights while stopping 31 opponents.

SPORTS ABROAD

By BERNIE BERNIKER

Champion Foreman



Challenger Ali

GOLF

IN Houston, Texas, Dave Hill sank eight birdie putts for a final-round 7-under-par 65 last weekend and won the $30,000 first prize in the Houston Open by one stroke over Steve Melnyk, Rod Curl and Andy North.

Hill's victory brought his earnings for 1974 to $53,100. This was his first tournament victory since the 1973 Danny Thomas Memphis open.

TRACK & FIELD

AUSTRALIAN long distance runner Tony Rafferty, 35, set a world endurance record Monday when he completed a 225 kms non-stop run from rural Bathurst, west of Sydney, to Bondi Beach in 30 hours and 15 minutes.

The previous world endurance record was held by Jared Beads, of Florida, who ran 194 kms in 22 hours in 1969.

SOCCER

SIR Alf Ramsey, recently ousted manager of England's soccer team, confirmed on Tuesday, in London, that he turned down an offer of $72,000 to coach Ajax of Amsterdam. Ramsey said he hopes to start next season as manager of an English League club.

BASKETBALL

THE New York Nets won the American Basketball Association championship 111-100 at the Nassau Coliseum in Uniondale, New York, on Saturday. The Nets defeated the Utah Stars 4 games to 1, for their first title.

Winning the championship was a long trip from nowhere, climaxed by winning 22 of their last 25 games, including 12 of 14 in the playoffs. Larry Kenon scored 23 points, Julius Erving 20 and John Williamson 15 for the winners.

TENNIS

INDIA defeated defending champion Australia 3 matches to 2 to eliminate the Australians from this year's Davis Cup and earn a place in the inter-zone semifinals. Scores of each match:

1. Jasjit Singh beat Bob Giltinan 11-9, 9-11, 12-10, 8-6.
2. John Alexander beat Vijay Amritraj 14-12, 17-15, 6-8, 6-2.
3. Vijay & Anand Amritraj beat Alexander & Colin Dibley 17-15, 6-8, 6-3, 16-18, 6-4.
4. Alexander beat Singh 8-6, 6-4, 6-3.
5. Vijay Amritraj beat Giltinan 6-1, 5-7, 6-4, 6-4.

The Indians' next opponents will be the winners of the European Zone section 'B'.

U.S. BASEBALL

U.S. BASEBALL STANDINGS
AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST

	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	15	14	.517	—
Baltimore	16	15	.516	—
Detroit	16	15	.516	—
Cleveland	17	16	.515	—
New York	18	19	.486	1
Boston	16	18	.471	1½

WEST

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	16	14	.533	—
Oakland	18	16	.529	—
Texas	17	17	.500	1
California	17	18	.486	1½
Kansas City	16	17	.485	1½
Minnesota	13	16	.448	2½

Wednesday's results:
Detroit 6, New York 5
Baltimore 6, Milwaukee 5
Boston 7, Cleveland 4
Chicago 1, Minnesota 0
Texas 6, California 1

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST

	W	L	Pct	GB
Montreal	14	11	.560	—
St. Louis	17	15	.531	½
Philadelphia	17	16	.515	1
Chicago	13	16	.448	3
New York	14	19	.424	4
Pittsburgh	10	20	.333	6½

WEST

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	27	9	.750	—
San Francisco	20	17	.541	7½
Cincinnati	17	15	.531	8
Houston	20	19	.513	8½
Atlanta	17	19	.472	10
San Diego	14	24	.368	14

Wednesday's results:
Cincinnati 4, San Francisco 3
Montreal 5, Philadelphia 4
Pittsburgh 3, Chicago 2, 14 innings
Los Angeles 11-10, Houston 7-2
St. Louis 10, New York 1
Atlanta 3, San Diego 0.

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NATIONAL LEAGUE

BATTING

	AB	R	H	Pct.
Smith, St. Louis	121	19	45	.372
Gross, Houston	95	19	35	.368
Keitz, St. Louis	116	11	41	.353
Schmidt, Philadelphia	104	17	36	.346
Buckner, L.A.	114	15	39	.342

RUNS BATTED IN

Wynn, L.A., 31; Garvey, L.A., 29; Smith, St. Louis, 27; Cedeno, Houston, 27; L. May, Houston, 24; Cey, L.A., 24.

HOME RUNS

Wynn, L.A., 12; Aaron, Atlanta, 8; Staub, N.Y., 7; Perez, Cincinnati, 7; Garvey, L.A., 7.

PITCHING

Koosman, N.Y., 4-0; Rogers, Montreal, 5-1; Billingham, Cincinnati, 5-1; Griffin, Houston, 5-1; John, L.A., 5-1; Caldwell, S.F., 5-1.

STRIKEOUTS

Seaver, N.Y., 60; Koosman, N.Y., 50; P. Niekro, Atlanta, 50; Griffin, Houston, 45.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

BATTING

	AB	R	H	Pct.
Carew, Minnesota	117	17	45	.385
Jackson, Oakland	109	23	42	.385
McRae, K.C.	103	17	37	.359
Griffin, Boston	72	8	25	.347
Gamble, Cleveland	73	8	25	.342

RUNS BATTED IN

Jackson, Oakland, 30; Burroughs, Texas, 29; Nettles, N.Y., 27; McRae, K.C., 23.

HOME RUNS

Nettles, N.Y., 11; Jackson, Oakland, 11; Horton, Detroit, 7.

PITCHING

Coleman, Detroit, 5-1; G. Perry, Cleveland, 4-1; Hunter, Oakland, 6-2; Fitzmorris, K.C., 3-1; Fingers, Oakland, 3-1.

STRIKEOUTS

Ryan, California, 67; Jenkins, Texas, 50; Blylevan, Minnesota, 48; Busby, K.C., 47; Singer, California, 45; Wood, Chicago, 45.

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Tuesday, May 21
A COURSE ON JERUSALEM FOR TEACHERS (in Hebrew)
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Thursday, May 23
Thursday, May 23
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Where is Fusilier Duncan?

By GRETA ROESLER

EVERYONE IS singing "Who is Baruch Jamili, Where is Baruch Jamili?"

I, too, have a question to ask. Who was Fusilier Duncan? Where is Fusilier Duncan of the 1st Bt. the Royal Welsh Fusiliers?

Our son, just called up to do his stint of national service in the I.D.F., comes home for a few hours leave to show himself in his new glory. He is barely recognisable without his shock of long blond curls, so tenderly nursed during all the years of high school and now fallen victim to the ruthless scissors of the army barber. Gone are the bright, shocking pink or deep purple shirts and frayed jeans. Khaki uniform has taken their place. Feet that were used to freedom in open sandals are now shod in heavy boots. A gun is slung over his shoulder and a kit-bag containing all his army gear trails behind him.

Ours is a poor country and the army must try to economise just as we housewives are learning to do in these expensive days. So I presume it was the idea of a thrifty quarter-master to buy up second hand kit-bags and thus save precious foreign currency.

And thus my son now has a kit-bag, stiff and unyielding after umpteen years of being hoisted on to buses and trains, that once belonged to a proud Fusilier, his name and number written in bold white letters on the bag. Only the initials have been rubbed off by long wear.

What was he like, this Duncan? Tall and fair like the young Israeli who now has his bag? Or dark and of short build due to generations of Duncans having worked in the Welsh coal mines?

It is hardly likely that the bag can be of World War Two vintage. Even the admittedly tough canvas could not have survived so many years of rain, desert sand and scorching sun. On the other hand, Britain has not been in a real fighting war for a whole generation, so it is not likely that bag and owner ever saw any active fighting.

Did the unknown Duncan do his national service in Britain or was he perhaps lucky enough to escape the cold and damp of the British Isles and be sent to nearby Cyprus? Not involved in any action, I hope, for as his name will be so close to my son's heart for many months to come, I would like to feel that Fusilier Duncan had an easy and happy army career.

And where is this one-time Fusilier now, and what has he been doing with his life? It is some years now since Britain abolished compulsory national service, so by my reckoning he must be approaching middle age. Did he opt to stay in one of the few remaining outposts of the Empire where he had been serving so as to enjoy an easier life? Or did he return to his native Wales, living the hard life of a miner? Or did he manage to break away and is now happily tending the back garden of his suburban home, catching the daily train to his office, the way one always reads about in fiction?

He is probably quite unaware of the new life his kit-bag is leading, does not know that his name has been dragged around where war is a grim and real business. Unlike the hero of our prize-winning song, the fate of this ordinary soldier will not likely ever be revealed to me. Nor can I know what will happen to his kit-bag in three years time when my son hands it back. I can hope that by then Israel will not be in need of an army anymore, that Fusilier Duncan's bag will be sold to some other country and that no Israeli soldier will ever wonder again "Who was Fusilier Duncan and where is Fusilier Duncan now?"

Catholics discuss M.E.

By HENRIETTA BOAS
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

AMSTERDAM. — The International Council of "Pax Christi," the Roman Catholic peace movement, devoted most of its annual conference, held in Holland at the end of April, to the Middle East — which meant in effect to the problem of the Palestinians.

A resolution, passed at the end of the conference, advocated "a solution of the Middle East problem on the basis of a political democratic structure." The conflict in the area, the conference stated, was essentially a political one between the Israeli Jews and the Palestinians and a solution lay only in social justice and respect of the human rights of all concerned. How the political, democratic structure was to be organized was left to the Jews and the Palestinians to work out.

"Pax Christi" is a fairly influential organization in the Netherlands and its International President is the Archbishop of Utrecht, the most senior Roman Catholic ecclesiastic in Holland. It has considerable influence on the left-wing Roman Catholic weekly "De Nieuwe Linie" and has consistently championed the cause of the Palestinians.

A panel discussion which took place during the conference was broadcast over the Roman Catholic TV station. Of the six invited guests, four were pro-Palestinian. Though the subject discussed was the role which world religions could play in the solution of the Middle East problem, not a single Jewish representative took part in it, although two of the six participants were of Jewish origin. Professor Werblowski, of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, had, in fact, been invited to participate in the discussion, but had been unable to come. In his place he sent the Roman Catholic Dominican Father Marcel Dubois, also of the Hebrew University, who put up an excellent defence of the State of Israel, but was hopelessly outnumbered by the others. It apparently did not occur to "Pax Christi" to invite a representative of the Jewish faith from the Netherlands itself.

Progressive addition to choral repertoire

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VOCAL music provided the entire programme for the "Old and New" concert of the Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra (Jerusalem Theatre, May 14) and the large audience was proof of its popularity. Stanley Sperber, today's king of choral conducting (he is director of three or four choirs), did well with the Rubin Academy Chamber Choir in a "Magnificat" by Buxtehude. Gila Yaron made a most pleasant soloist in J.S. Bach's Cantata No.209, in which she was joined by Sharona Tel-Oren whose voice has a clear sound and fine phrasing. A Motet for double choir by Johann Christoph Bach (an uncle of the great J.S.) proved to be a very lovely piece of antiphonal writing. It was only a pity that it took the choir so long to pick up the right pitch from the organ.

The *piece de resistance* was undoubtedly Robert Starer's "Ariel—Visions of Isaiah," written in 1959 for the Inter-racial Fellowship Chorus. Using the Biblical verses as a basis, Starer is rather free with the lines, changing the order to suit his purposes, but succeeding extremely well in achieving an effective and balanced contrast in the process. The work might be described as a small oratorio, with a soprano (Jacqueline Willens) and a baritone (Jerome Barry) playing a comparatively small role and the full weight of the music on the chorus. Sung in English, enunciation was remarkably clear. The orchestra, which sounded rather insecure in its entrances and closing phrases in the first part of the programme (probably because of over-hectic directives from the conductor) came into its own in the Starer work, and Stanley Sperber proved his talent for driving, effective performances. "Ariel" is not avantgarde but provides in its progressive, though unexperimental language a most valuable addition the modern choir repertoire. Starer is both an experienced craftsman, an inventive composer and a true musician.

But why did the programme so carefully conceal the fact that Starer lived in Jerusalem from about 1938 until 1942 when he enlisted in the Royal Air Force (as a pianist-violinist team with Zvi Zeitlin). He only moved to the USA after the war.

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7. C.C. SALZEDO (1885-1961) Two preludes.

Beate facing prison while killers go free

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

THE Israeli public should not delude itself into thinking that Beate Klarsfeld will not be sentenced to a prison term when she returns to stand trial in Cologne next month.

This warning comes from Tel Aviv lawyer Arye Marinsky, who was sent to Germany by the Israel Bar Association and the Organization of Invalids of Nazi Persecution to aid Mrs. Klarsfeld. He reports that she faces a maximum five year sentence.

Beate Klarsfeld, the German anti-Nazi fighter, faces trial on six counts, the chief of which is for an alleged attempt to kidnap Gestapo Paris Chief Kurt Lischka. According to Mr. Marinsky, "Mrs. Klarsfeld is in real danger. The German legal machine may be inflexible to a point which we may not even imagine. It may seem totally unthinkable to us that an idealist like Mrs. Klarsfeld should be incarcerated while some of the world's most ruthless murderers, like Kurt Lischka, stay free and unpunished. But it is quite possible that this is just what may happen."

The accusations levelled at Beate Klarsfeld are the best example of just how inflexible German law is. One of the charges, for example, is that she drew the swastika sign, which has been illegal in Germany ever since the defeat of the Third Reich. Mrs. Klarsfeld is now accused of having violated no less than an anti-Nazi law.

Painted Swastika

She painted the swastika on the walls of Kurt Lischka's home. The fact that her actions were motivated by anti-Nazi objectives rather than sympathy for the Nazi cause, which is what the anti-Swastika law was aimed at, is irrelevant in the eyes of the German prosecutors. According to Mr. Marinsky, the German philosophy of "ordenung muss sein" (there must be order) is fanatically stressed to the point of absurdity. "Such things as motive, justice and right are forgotten, and all that remains is a pedantic adherence to the letter of the law."

From conversations Mr. Marinsky had with many Germans, he gained the impression that while they are not too outraged by Arab terrorist atrocities, they are very incensed at the fact that a native Berliner should deviate even slightly from the straight and narrow path, if only for the sake of justice.

Moreover, these talks left him with the feeling that Beate is one of the most hated people in Germany today. "The Germans let me know that they are thoroughly fed up with the 'problem of the Nazi' and 'the burden of having to make amends to the Jews.' They would like nothing better than for us 'to stop pestering' them about the Nazis. They feel they have paid for all the atrocities with reparations money and that they have now earned peace of mind. This is the predominant mentality. There is not even a vestige of repentance. That a German should remind them of all they want to forget is to them unthinkable."

One of the most glaring manifestations of German indifference is what Mr. Marinsky calls "the conspiracy of silence by the German mass media — from the far left to the far right." The German press, according to him, will pounce on any sensation, no matter how remote from Germany. But the fact that the Israeli Parliament took a step unprecedented in the history of Parliaments anywhere in the world when it called on a foreign court to release a detainee was completely ignored by the press. "Some commentators put it all down to an East German Communist plot, or else to the Likud," he relates. "It was difficult to impress on anyone that neither Minister of Justice Haim Zadok, nor Victor Shemtov are Likud men. The Germans just could not care less. If anything did influence them it was the demonstrations of former French Resistance men at the Cologne Jail and the demonstrations in Paris against German tourists. This hurt them because of Common Market interests."

Eichmann's judge

Mr. Marinsky feels that only the name of Knesset Member Benjamin Halevi makes the slightest impression on the German public because of his prestige as a former Supreme Court justice and one of Eichmann's judges. It was finally on the basis of his guarantee to be responsible for Beate Klarsfeld's appearance for her trial that she was released.

The wall of silence on the part of the German media was only slightly cracked when Mr. Marinsky debated with a German journalist on a radio programme. The latter protested that "Mrs. Klarsfeld should have known that in Germany one must not break the law — this is not Texas." Mr. Marinsky retorted that "Germany proved that two men with bombs could effect the release of the Munich terrorist murderers. It is now up to Germany to prove that the moral weight of 6,000 Israeli invalid victims of Nazi horrors can effect the release of an idealist fighter for justice who had hurt no one." His impression was that this argument fell on deaf ears.

Mrs. Klarsfeld herself told the judge just before she was released that "Germans are not only the descendants of Goethe and Schiller but also of Eichmann and Himmler. We must fight for justice and not hide behind artificial legal barriers such as order and absolute cleanliness. These have become an end instead of the means."

Former French resistance fighter, wearing concentration camp uniform, marched by German police during demonstration outside Cologne jail where Beate Klarsfeld was being held. Right, Beate feeds her eight-month old daughter just before she left for the Dachau demonstration where she was arrested.

WHERE SPYING IS A FACT OF LIFE

By JOHN DORNBERG
Special to The Jerusalem Post

WEST Germany's latest spy scandal is more than just a serious blow to a government already in hot political water.

It demonstrates what has been a fact of life for decades: there are more spies per square mile here than in any country in the world, for the Federal Republic has always been and remains the chief target of Communist espionage. In fact, spying has become so common that people take it almost for granted.

The arrest of Guenther Guillaume, Chancellor Willy Brandt's personal assistant, is a sensation largely because he is the most highly-placed agent ever to be caught and obviously had access to what Brandt's trouble-ridden government must consider its most important political secrets. But the Guillaume case also supports what West German security officials have been contending for some time.

Despite the era of detente, Communist intelligence activities, most of them directed by East Germany, have been on the increase here.

Ironically, one reason may be detente itself. Relaxed travel regulations between West and East Germany provide for greater access and opportunities to recruit and infiltrate agents.

As one West German official put it recently: "The cold war may be decelerating, but the secret war has just shifted into second gear."

The statistics of that war are staggering.

According to official estimates, 11,000 agents actually operate on West German territory at any given time. An average of 732 — or two spies daily — are "neutralized" by West German security agents each year. That is, they are either caught, flee the country before arrest or turn themselves in.

During the past two decades West German counter intelligence agencies recorded 35,000 individual attempts by Eastern services to recruit West Germans as agents and pin-pointed 100,000 individual acts of espionage. But that, according to security sources, is merely the visible tip of the iceberg, representing only 20 per cent of what actually goes on.

More than 80 per cent of those agents, three-fourths of whom are actually West German citizens, work for East Germany's Ministry of State Security and the chief of its "Department for Reconaissance," Colonel General Markus "Mischa" Wolf, 51.

Wolf is a worldly, dapper, handsomely athletic six-footer who, West German officials grudgingly admit, is probably the best spymaster in the business. A veteran Communist who was raised in the Soviet Union as a refugee from Nazism, he has been head of East German intelligence for 23 years. During that period he has scored some spectacular coups.

Not the last

Inserting stocky, bespectacled Guillaume into West Germany expressly for espionage purposes was certainly one of them. But Guillaume is neither the first nor will he be the last senior West German official to be implicated as an agent.

Adenauer's administration, for example, also had its "Guillaume" in the person of Erich Helbig, a key civil servant working right under the Chancellor's nose. Until his arrest in September 1963 he had supplied East Germany with piles of secret information about NATO and Bonn's defence and foreign policy for 14 years.

Espionage for the East seems to be a game almost anyone can play. No one is too important or too insignificant to participate. The roster of those identified or convicted as spies since 1949 includes not only the usual run of army and air force men, Foreign Ministry cipher clerks and ambassadors' secretaries but some very important people.

There was Dr. Otto John, the head of West Germany's Office for Protection of the Constitution, the chief security agency; there was a millionaire businessman; a top trade union official and there were no less than four members of parliament.

Even Heinz Felfe, chief counter-spy at the Federal Intelligence Service, West Germany's CIA, turned out to be an agent. Felfe's job was to supervise counter-espionage against the USSR. Actually he worked for the Soviet KGB, whom he supplied with 15,000 secret documents over a ten-year period. He now lives in semi-retirement in East Germany.

The spy war is not one-sided, of course. Bonn, too, has scored some remarkable capers, including placement of a spy in the office of East German party chief Walter Ulbricht and the recruitment of one of Ulbricht's deputy ministers as a West German agent.

But the Federal Republic remains the chief target, and for a variety of reasons.

It is Europe's industrially and technologically most advanced country as well as the one with the highest concentration of NATO forces and equipment. With a 1056-mile border dividing it from East Germany and Czechoslovakia, it is also ideally situated. Easy access and identity of language enable East German agents to penetrate and operate virtually undetected.

Family ties to the East expose thousands of West Germans to numerous pressures, influence, traps, blackmail and extortion that turn them into agents.

There are also mixed loyalties. When the fatherland is split, which fatherland does a West German betray by becoming an East German spy?

Lax security

Another factor, undoubtedly, is Bonn's lax and inefficient security and the disinterest of the law and the courts. More than a dozen federal and state security agencies frequently work at cross purposes and occasionally counter-spy on each other.

When spies are caught, relatively little happens to them. Sentences were light even before a reform of the penal code in 1968 and have become progressively lighter since then. More often than not they are traded for West German agents caught in the East.

A swap for Guenther Guillaume is already being discussed, though the gravity of his case and its serious political implications will probably compel the administration to press for full-scale prosecution.

Guillaume, according to Bonn security officials, is almost a classic example of how East Germany's intelligence service operates. A professional agent and officer of the East German army by his own admission, he was inserted as a "sleeper" agent into West Germany 18 years ago with instructions to bide his time and work his way up until he could be effective.

That technique appears to be typical of East Germany's General Wolf, who is regarded by Bonn counter-intelligence sources as not only "the best" but "the most patient spy chief in the world."

The question now being asked here is how many more men like Guillaume he has put into sensitive positions and when, if ever, security agents will spot them.

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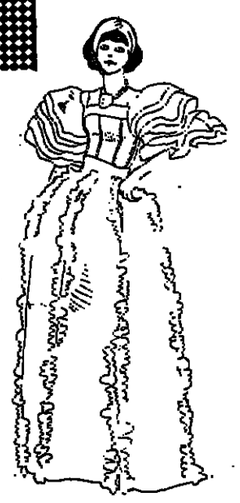

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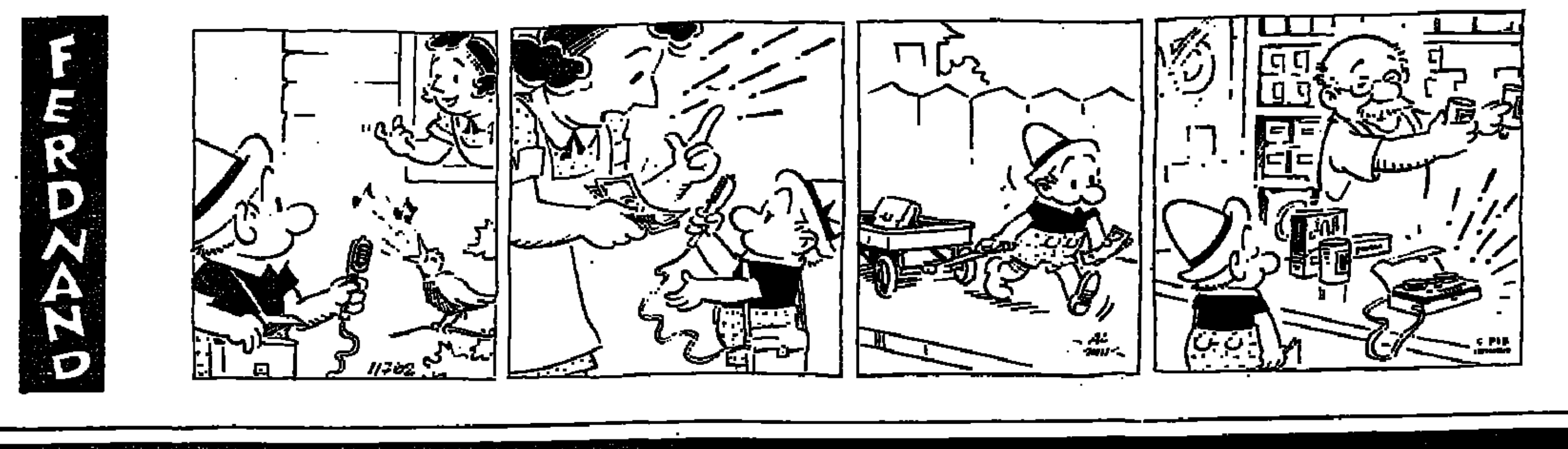

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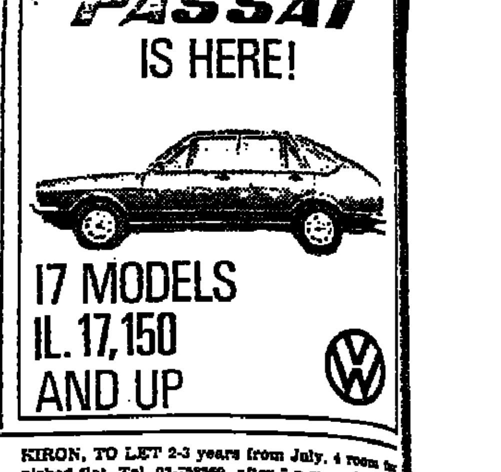

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DEPARTURES: Air France 193 to Paris, 0245; TWA 811 to Rome, Paris and Boston, 0540; El Al 161 to Teheran, 0610; El Al 467 to Paris, 0630; Swissair 331 to Zurich, 0700; TWA 841 to Athens, Rome, and N.Y., 0710; TWA 803 to Paris and N.Y. 0730; El Al 347 to Zurich, 0720; Lufthansa 637 to Frankfurt, 0750; El Al 265 to London and N.Y. 0800; El Al 357 to Frankfurt, 0810; El Al 463 to Rome, 0840; Air France 187 to Athens and Paris, 0850; BA 483 to London, 0925; Olympic 302 to Athens, 1335; Alitalia 739 to Rome, 1400; TWA 810 to Bombay and Bangkok, 1840; Cyprus Airways 303 to Nicosia, 1920.

SATURDAY

ARRIVALS: TWA 811 from Bangkok and Bombay, 0425; Alitalia 738 from Rome, 1315; TWA 800 from N.Y. and Paris, 1340; Lufthansa 634 from Frankfurt 1420; TWA 810 from Boston, Paris and Rome, 1530; TWA 840 from S.F., N.Y., Rome and Athens, 1700; Swissair 330 from Zurich, 1805; El Al 358 from Frankfurt, 1920; El Al 476 from London, 2000; El Al 474 from Rome, 2010; El Al 470 from Amsterdam, 2020; BA 484 from London 2035; El Al 472 from Geneva and Zurich, 2105; El Al 478 from Paris and Munich, 2125; Air France 132 from Paris and Rome, 2150; Austrian 713 from Vienna, 2210; Lufthansa 632 from Munich, 2305.

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SATURDAY

JERUSALEM: (day) Katamon, 23 Hizkiyahu Hamelech, 33843; (evening) Bayit Vegan, 59 Hapisga 535626; Al-Arz, Herod's Gate, 282682. **TEL AVIV:** (day) Gruso, 27 Shenkin, 294791; Benny, 174 Dizengoff, 222386; Castel, 147 Ibn Gvirol, 448716; (evening) Frenkel, 28 King George, 223721; Zafon, 33 Yehuda Hamaccabi, 449995; Trufa, 217 Dizengoff, 222488. **HOLON:** Naot Shoshanim, 44 Geulim. **BAT YAM:** Balfour, 90 Balfour. **RAMAT GAN:** Rama, 65 Jabotinsky, 793483. **HERZLIYA PITUAH:** Goldstein, Kikar Hakinor. **LOD:** Mazor, Merkaz Mishari. **PETAH TIKVA:** Hayarkon, 24 Stampfer, 910946. **NETANYA:** Hamagen, 13 Weizmann, 23366. **HAIFA:** Balfour, 1 Massada 662289; **BEERSHEBA:** Briut.

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Haftara: Jeremiah 16:19-17:14.

JERUSALEM

Yeshurun Synagogue: Today: Minha, 6.15 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat, 6.30 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8.00 a.m. Minha Gdola, 12.45 p.m. Minha, 5.50 p.m. Lecture 6.10 p.m. Arvit 7.10 p.m.

Hechal Shlomo: Today: Minha 6.15 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat, 6.30 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit 8.00 a.m. Women's Shiur (in Hebrew) 4.00 p.m. Minha 5.50 p.m. followed by Talmud Shiur by Dr. Zerah Warhaftig. 6.05 p.m. Arvit 7.10 p.m.

Emet Ve'emuna (Rehov Narkiss 1): Tonight: 6.30 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8.15 a.m. Sermon: Prof. Ernst Simon.

Yeshivat Hakotel (Old City): Tonight: Minha 6.15 p.m. Traditional March to the Wall followed by Kabbalat Shabbat 6.45 p.m. Arvit (at the Synagogue) 7.30 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit 7.15 a.m. Minha 12.30 p.m. Sunday (Yom Yerushalayim) Arvit 7.00 p.m. Monday: Sunrise Service (at the Wall) 4.45 a.m.

Italian Synagogue (Rehov Hillel); Tonight: Minha, 6.15 p.m. Tomorrow: 8.00 a.m.

Chabad Lubavich Synagogue (Rehov Chabad, *Jewish Quarter, Old City): Tomorrow: Shahrit: 8.30* a.m. Kiddush following services.

Sephardi Synagogues-Ribas (Old City): Tonight: Minha, 6.15 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat 6.30 p.m. Tomorrow: Sephardi Minyan, 7.30 Ashkenazi Minyan, 8.00 a.m. Minha 5.50 p.m.

Beit Knesset Mercazi, Talbieh: (14 Rehov Hovevei Zion, Talbieh): Tonight: 6.15 p.m.

Har-El Synagogue (Progressive Judaism) 16 Rehov Shmuel Hanagid, near Bezalel Museum. Tonight: 6.30 p.m. Sermon: Rabbi A.C. Zaoui. Tomorrow: 9.30 a.m.

Jewish Theological Seminary of America (Neve Schechter, behind Israel Museum): Tonight: Service, 6.15 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit: 8.30 a.m.

Kehilat Mevakshei Derech: (14 Rehov Ibn Gvirol). *Shabbat Services: 9.00 a.m.*

World Council of Synagogues (Conservative) at United Synagogue of America Centre: Rehov Agron 4. Tonight: Arvit, 6.00 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8.30 a.m. Sermon: Rabbi Joshua Stampfer.

Young Israel (28 Rehov Ben-Tzion, Givat Shaul). Tonight: 6.15 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat 6.30 p.m. Tomorrow Shahrit 8.00 Minha 5.50 p.m.

Young Israel (Rehov Bar Yohai 47, Katamon). Tonight: 6.05 p.m. Tomorrow: 8.00 a.m.

Young Israel (Block 107, Sanhedria Murhevet). Tonight: 6.05 p.m. Tomorrow: 8.00 a.m.

Young Israel (Rehov Hapisgah, Bayit Vegan). Tonight: 6.03 p.m. Tomorrow: 8.00 a.m.

Hebrew Union College (Rehov David Hamelech 13). Saturday: 10 a.m.

TEL AVIV

The Great Synagogue, (110 Allenby Road). Tonight: 6.00 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 7.30 a.m.

Ihud Shivat Zion (86 Rehov Ben Yehuda). Tonight: Minha, 6.15 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 6.30 & 8.30 a.m. Minha 6.20 p.m.

Ihud Shivat Zion (Beit Hamore, Rehov Nathan Strauss 5). Tonight: Minha, 6.15 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 5.30 a.m. Minha, 6.20 p.m.

Beit Haknesset Geulat Yisrael (Rehov Mercaz Ba'alei Melacha 18). Tonight: 6.00 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8.30 a.m.

Kehilat Sinai (Conservative, B'nai Brit House, 10 Rehov Kaplan; corner Hameasfim). Tomorrow: Shahrit, 9.00 a.m. Parashat Hashavua: Rabbi Davis Weiss.

Kedem Synagogue (Progressive Judaism, 20 Rehov Carlebach): Tonight: 5.30 p.m. Tomorrow: 9.30 a.m. Sermon: Rabbi Moshe Zemer.

Kehilat Ramat Aviv (Progressive Judaism: Jacob-Eftar Hall, Peretz Naphtali Bldg. T.A. University): Tonight 6.00 p.m. Sermon: Rabbi Ady Assabi.

RAMAT GAN

Hatechiya Synagogue: Tonight: 6.20 p.m., Tomorrow: Shahrit 7.45 a.m. Parashat Hashavua: Mr. Barkol, Minha 6.10 p.m. Shiur Gemara Mr. Weizman.

Emeth Ve'anava Congregation (Progressive Judaism): 67 Derech Jabotinsky. Friday: 6 p.m. Saturday: 9.30 a.m. Sermon: *Rabbi T. Ben-Shorin.*

Beth Haknesset Ramat Hen (5 Rehov Ramat Hen): Friday: Minha 5.30 p.m. Saturday: Shahrit, 7.45 a.m.

KFAR SABA

Haminyan Hahadash (Shechunat Eliezer). Tonight: 6.25 p.m. Tomorrow: 7.30 a.m.

PETAH TIKVA

Young Israel (Ramat Werber School Rehov Anderson): Tonight: 6.20 p.m. Tomorrow: Talmud: 7.00 a.m. Services: 8.00 a.m.

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Beit Haknesset Hechal Habanim: Tonight: 6.15 p.m. Tomorrow: 8.00 a.m. Sermon: Rabbi Shmuel Avidor Hacohen.

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Young Israel (Hotel Hod, Rehov Hanassi), Tonight: 6.20 p.m. Tomorrow: 8.45 a.m.

NETANYA

Beth Yisrael (Conservative) (13 Rehov Rav Kook). Tonight: 6.00 p.m. *Tomorrow: 9.00 a.m.*

Netanya Progressive Congregation — (16 Rehov Smilansky). Tonight: 5.45 p.m.

New Synagogue (Wizo House McDonald St.) Friday: 6.00 p.m. Saturday: 8.00 a.m. Sermon: Rabbi Emmanuel *Forman. Study Group 4.45 p.m. Minha* 5.45 p.m.

HAIFA

Moriah Congregation (7 Rehov Horeb), Ahuza. Tonight: 6.00 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8.00 a.m. *Sermon: Rabbi Charles Siegel.*

Haifa Progressive Congregation Or Hadash (New Beit Rothschild, Sderot Hanassi, Mercaz Hacarmel). Friday: 5.30 p.m. Saturday: 9.00 a.m. Sermon: Rabbi Morton Hoffman.

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Young Israel (24 Rehov Hanotrim). Tonight 6.20 p.m. Tomorrow: 5.30 a.m.

REHOVOT

Adat Shalem Synagogue (Conservative) (B'nai Brit Hall, 153 Rehov Herzl). Tonight: 6.00 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit 8.30 a.m. Sermons: Rabbi Meir Ydit.

ASHKELON

Kehilat Netzach Yisrael (Batsheva Gerbovoy Community Centre, Derech Ya'acov Chaham, corner Harel, Afridar). Tonight: Kabbalat Shabbat 5.30 p.m. Saturday: Shahrit, 9.00 a.m. Sermon: Rabbi Pinhas Spectre.

BEERSHEBA

Family Congregation of Omer (Conservative) (Omer School Auditorium): Kabbalat Shabbat 6.00 p.m. Sermon: Rabbi Michael Graetz.

Young Israel (Shikun Beit). Tonight: 6.15 p.m. Tomorrow Shahrit, 8.00 a.m.

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CHRISTIAN SERVICES

St. George's Cathedral (Anglican, Nablus Road, Jerusalem) Sunday: Holy Communion 8.00 p.m. (English). Morning Worship (Arabic) 9.30 a.m Sung Eucharist and Sermon (English) 11 a.m. Evensong and Sermon (English) 6.00 p.m. Daily (Mon. to Sat.) Holy Communion 7.00 a.m. Evensong 6.00 p.m.

Baptist Congregation (Rehov Narkis, Jerusalem); Saturday Services. Bible Study: 9.45 a.m. Worship 11.00 a.m.

Church of Christ (across street from Rockefeller Museum). Bible Classes: 10.00 a.m. Worship: 11.00 a.m. and 6.00 p.m. Wednesday: Bible Classes. 6.00 p.m.

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Lutheran Church (Muristan Rd., Old City, Jerusalem).

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Immanuel Lutheran Church (Rehov Eilat behind Old Law Court, Tel Aviv). Saturday: 11.00 a.m.

Evangelical Episcopal (Anglican) Church (Jaffa, Beer Hoffman Street, off Rehov Eilat): Sunday: Evening Service, 6.00 p.m. Tuesday: Bible Study (Tel. 821459).

Herzliya (Tel. 938856). Sunday, 7.30 a.m. Holy Communion, 9.30 a.m. Family Service.

Christian Science Service, Hilton Hotel, Tel Aviv. Sunday: 11 a.m.

Petah Tikva Baptist Congregation (3 kilometres north of Petah Tikva). Saturday Services: Bible Study, 9.45 a.m. Worship, 11.00 a.m.

Nazareth Ukrainian Catholic Chapel, Nazareth Old City, two blocks over Maronite Church in Ecumenical Christ Child Centre, Sunday, Mass 9.00 a.m.

St. Luke's Church, Haifa (Anglican) 4 St. Luke's Street, near U.N.O. and Hagefen. (Services in English). Sunday 10.00 a.m. Holy Communion.

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Negotiations at Ma'alot

(Continued from page one)

o'clock. Do all you can to dispatch our comrades before six. The children here with us are watching our preparations. They can see the explosives. Act if you want to save them. We told the boys and girls that we'll release them if our 20 comrades are freed. They are asking you to do something. Orders are orders. We can't play games with them. At six o'clock all will be over. Six o'clock will be the end.

16.18 hours:
Terrorists:

It is now 16.18 hours. We say 18.00 hours Palestine time. When the Ambassador arrives, he'll give us the code word. We shall wait only until 1800. If the ambassadors are coming here, we shall ask them to enter one by one. They'll give the code word, and deliver the message from our command.

16.30 hours
IDF Spokesman:

The Syrian Government has agreed that a U.N. plane will transport the prisoners in a direct flight from Lod to Damascus. The U.N. also informed us that the plane will be ready in about an hour. We hope than an hour and a half later, your comrades will already be in Damascus. The Rumanian Ambassador is in contact with your headquarters to obtan permission for you to extend the ultimatum. This is why he is late in arriving here. Can you contact your headquarters and receive such instructions directly? Let us know also what you want us to do when the ambassador arrives.

Terrorists:

Time is running out at 1800 hours, and there is no need for a lot of talk. The operation will end at 1800 hours, according to our command's instructions. Consider whether to release our 20 comrades or to have the school with 85 pupils blown up.

16:34 hours:
Terrorists:

(In reply to the repeated announcement of the spokesman on behalf of the IDF that the Syrian authorities have agreed...)

We heard very well what you said before. If the Rumanian Ambassador shall arrive after 1800 hours, everything will already be over. There is no need for him to arrive later — everything will be finished. Do you hear?

16:46 hours:
Terrorists:

You can't have more time — either from us or from headquarters. That's the way headquarters want it. If they had wanted to extend the ultimatum, they'd have let us know in code. In your newbroadcast you announced that the French Ambassador had arrived at Ma'alot. Where is he? Are you lying to your Israel citizens? We won't talk to you any more until 1800 hours.

17:10 hours:

Listen closely: The Ambassador must come here and give us the code word. If he does not have the code — he should not approach.

17:15 hours:
Terrorists:

(After being informed that the ambassador does not have the code word): Without the code word. This is a trick.

It is now 17:15. You have another 45 minutes. We'll let you look at the hostages as they are watching our preparations.

17:20 hours:
Terrorists:

We want the ambassador to give the code word. Six o'clock is drawing close. It is now 5:20. If we learn that our comrades have arrived in Syria, we'll be satisfied. If the ambassador agrees to give us the code word, he should be good enough to come here. Without the code word, we are not permitting anyone to approach.

Black market stable

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Prices on the currency black market were fairly stable during the week, although the DM rose by five agora to IL1.90. The French franc also rose by two to IL0.95 and the Swiss franc rose by three to IL1.55.

The dollar remained fairly firm, with $100 banknotes going for IL4.80, smaller notes for IL4.75 and dollar checks (which are now in short supply) for IL4.50. The Dutch florin was IL.65, the pound sterling IL11.00; sovereigns IL235, a kilogramme of silver was IL1,000 and a kilogram of gold was IL25,500 (up IL300).

TEL AVIV STOCKS

NATAD $ JUMPS

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Natad dollar, which has been fairly stable lately, yesterday jumped by seven points to stand at IL4.74. The demand was for $260,500, and only $162,000 was supplied.

As for stocks, Delek was suddenly in fashion. Its registered shares rose by two and then by five, to close at 190, with a turnover of 35,000. Its bearer, which remained stable in the opening round, jumped by 12 in the variables to 200, also with a turnover of 35,000.

Arieh rose by nine to 439 (12,000 turnover). ILDC rose by 2.5 to 193 with a turnover of 21,000.

Linked-bonds, which fell on the previous day, quieted down yesterday. Those whose redemption day was fairly soon even rose, but those with distant redemption days fell.

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DEBENTURES LINKED TO THE DOLLAR			
9% Dead Sea Junior	r	338.5	338.5
9% Electric Corp A	r	138.5	133.5
6% Electric Corp B	r	145	145
LINKED to the C.o.L. INDEX (Principal & Interest)			
Kiria 1965, Index 110.1	b	315	315
Bitahon 1968, Series 41	b	139.5	139.5
Bitahon 1968, Series 41	b	263.1	262
COMMERCIAL BANKS & BANKHOLDING COMPANIES			
Otzar Hityashvut		[illegible]	[illegible]
I.D.B. pref.		268.5	267
I.D.B. Bankholding	r	219.5	219
Union Bank	r	302	302.5
Israel British Bank	b	933	948
Discount Bank "A"	r	515	510
United Mizrahi Bank	b	179	177
Bank Hapoalim — 10%	b	298	298
Bank Leumi "A"	r	280	259.5
MORTGAGE BANKS			
Gen. Mortgage Bank	b	257	256.5
Carmel Mortg. & Inv.	b	199	196
Bank Binyan	b	260	260
Dev. & Mortg. Bank	b	272	272
Housing Mortg. Bank	b	186	186
Tefahot 8%	b	276.5	276
Tefahot	b	276.5	276.5
SPECIALIZED FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS			
Ind. & Dev. Bank 5%	r	69.5	70
Hassneh Insurance	b	265	260.5
Sahar — "C"	b	348	348
COMMERCIAL SERVICES & UTILITIES			
Motor House	b	37.5	38.5
Delek C	r	190	183
Cold Storage—IL10	r	221	216
Israel Electric Corp.	r	63.5	63
Lighterage & Supply	r	188	188
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Azorim	r	199.5	198.5
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Solel Boneh 10%	b	144	144
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Isras	b	178.5	178
Mehadrin	r	199.5	200
I.C.P. for Citrus	b	98	97
Anglo-Isr. Investors	b	178.5	178.5
Neot Aviv	r	97	96.5
Pri Or Ltd.	r	194	194
Rassco—8%	r	100	99.5
Rassco—O.	r	76.5	76.5
INDUSTRIAL			
Alliance—B	r	483	475
Elco—2.5	b	109	108.5
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"Argaman"—8%	b	347	345
"Ata"—C	r	134	134.5
Dubek	b	458.5	445
Elect. Wire & Cable	b	218	215.5
Teva	b	1185	1185
Chem. & Phosphates	r	105.5	105
Lewin Epstein	b	67.5	68
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Assis "B"	r	240	235
Nechushtan	b	459	459
Shemen—8%	b	135.5	136
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Elgar	b	96	95
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Cial Industries	r	194	195
FUEL & OIL			
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WALL STREET Closing Thursday, May 16, 1974

Slow trading in stocks

NEW YORK (AP). — The stock market was unable to establish a consistent trend again yesterday, weakening in late trading after a mild morning rally. Trading remained slow.

Brokers said it appeared the continuing influence of high interest rates and a series of economic and political uncertainties limited the market's ability to mount a strong drive in either direction.

A dispute over tax and royalty payments on bauxite from Jamaica pushed aluminum issues down sharply.

The stock prices were not available last night because of transmission difficulties.

HAIFA MAGISTRATES COURT
Civil file No. 4138/73
Announcement concerning public sale of real estate.

Plaintiffs: Dov Riemer & Co. Ltd.
Under Power of Attorney of L. Chayon Adv. of 20 Behov Ibn-Sina, Haifa.
Défendant: Solomon (Son of Moritz) Fishman.

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MESHEL AVERTS STRIKE

Dispute in the offing on fringe benefits

By MOSHE ATER
Jerusalem Post Economic Editor

MR. Meshel's first feat as the Histadrut's new Secretary-General has been to avert a strike by professional employees against the government's intention to tax their literature allowance. Under present circumstances no responsible trade union can relish a conflict, particularly about such a minor sum. So Mr. Meshel has been given a period of grace to find a compromise formula.

In the meantime the amendment has been enacted, and whether his endeavours will be of much avail is uncertain. The Treasury has all the economists on its side, but the professionals have also a strong case, for there is no gainsaying that the new tax ruling violates the established wage agreements, and upsets a practice which has been considered perfectly legal hitherto. Moreover, all concerned are aware that the literature allowance is only the thin end of the new fiscal wedge. Beyond it looms the much bigger issue of the car travel allowance, for which no practical solution is visible as yet. Then there is the problem of tax-free contributions to pension funds and life assurance which the government tried to tackle two years ago but gave up in view of the trade unions' opposition. And the touchy complex of the tax rates applied to productivity incentives.

Unless the aim is to put an end to the entire system of unequal tax rates which provides ways and means for legal tax dodging, there is no reason to outlaw any particular practice currently applied with the authorities' blessing. But comprehensive reform would run up against many vested interests. It is therefore understandable that the government is not keen on looking for additional trouble in this field, and prefers to proceed step by step. A gradual approach is also supported by the employers. Thus it has been suggested that the abolition of the tax-free car allowance should be spread over an eight-year period.

What makes the employers a party in this issue is, of course, their apprehension that in the end it will be they who will have to foot the bill. Whether a doctor or an engineer really needs new textbooks or a private car is irrelevant, and the discussion on such points is a sham, as everybody knows, for the allowance is only a legal pretence for paying part of the respective wage tax-free. But if the loophole is closed, the employees concerned will still insist on getting the same wage in real terms, and will be backed in this demand by both the trade unions and by economic facts — for in a country short of labour, in particular of skilled labour, an attempt to reduce the "extras" which skilled workers gained is doomed to failure. The tax incidence will therefore have to be shifted from the employee to the employer. It will have to be included in production costs. And the increment to the wage bill will have to be in due proportion to the respective marginal tax rate of the employee concerned. It is small wonder that the employers want this swelling of costs — the "engrossing" of wages — to be spread over a long period, in order to minimize its effect on profits.

However, while such an approach is understandable, one may wonder whether it takes into account the complex side-effects of such a procedure. The wage engrossing process may look simple on paper, but in practice it must completely change the entire wage pattern, and is likely to run into hot water and cause tempers to rise, because along with upping production costs it must also bring into the open the wage differentials currently disguised by the allowances system.

Engrossing implies that the wage bill is effectively increased, that the employers can afford it, but that the increment is reserved for specific employees, which is unlikely to be accepted with good grace by their colleagues. One may rather expect them also to demand a share of the bounty, with no concern for fiscal considerations. An engrossing process drawn out over several years is therefore likely to bring about a general wage rise (and ultimately to defeat its purpose), the more so as the trade unions will find it difficult to oppose it for the benefit of a favoured minority.

On the face of it, such misgivings may seem excessive, but one must keep in mind that the tax-free and tax-preferred wage fringes amount in many cases to between 50 and 75 per cent of the take-home ordinary wage, and may even exceed it. Properly engrossed at our steeply rising marginal tax rates they will therefore require the doubling — or more — of the present tariff wage, which can hardly go unnoticed.

Moreover, a piecemeal adjustment process will miss the major purpose of the tax reform, which is not so much to increase tax revenue as to reduce tax rates in order to make people more willing to exert themselves. The counter-productive effect of our current rates is not confined to the fact that they foster tax evasion. More important is the low work morale and outright waste which they bring in their wake. The very fact that numerous legal loopholes had to be provided for avoiding them is evidence of their destructive effects. But since these devices are tied to specific items they do not contribute directly to upping production, which is what is most urgently needed under present circumstances. Of course, a change in income tax rates cannot cure our economic malaise, but one should not underestimate its remedial effect.

According to reliable estimates, a widening of the tax base (i.e. inclusion of all the special allowances and tax-preferred fringes in taxable income) would enable us to reduce the marginal tax rate for middle-class incomes — crucial for the country's economic performance — to 35 per cent, if not less, i.e. close to the special rate currently applied to overtime pay. It is obvious that such a cut would boost productivity. And it would probably improve labour relations and reduce workers' grievances.

Of course, such a step would have to be accompanied by a comprehensive revision of wage tariffs. But there is no reason to delay it. Instead of carrying out the tax reform so gradually that it is hardly felt, the reform should be speeded up dramatically. The trade unions and the employers should be invited to participate in it. And the public should be made to understand that the major objective of the reform is not to impose a heavier tax burden, but to make the tax more equitable and earning income more attractive.

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EVEN THE SAHARA COULD YIELD CROPS

Technion develops method of farming sandy land

TEL AVIV. — An asphalt membrane inserted under a sandy surface, as developed by agricultural engineers at the Haifa Technion, may turn wastelands into productive farms, according to Dr. Gedalyahu Manor. Dr. Manor, of the Technion's Lowdermilk Faculty of Agricultural Engineering, told a conference on the exploitation of sand dunes here on Wednesday that crops grown experimentally on such a membrane in Caesarea, Kiryat Haim, Nir Yitzhak and Sadot over the past four years were all considerably higher than on control plots.

The technique developed by the Technion is to spray a cold asphalt emulsion from a specially-adapted tractor under a layer of sand. As the tractor moves, a 2.5-metre wide wedge-shaped sweep lifts the sand, allowing the spray to settle in a three millimetre thick layer. The asphalt hardens immediately as the sand falls back, forming a water-tight curtain.

The new method saves water, which does not percolate through the sand but stays near the plant's roots. The moisture curtain can be laid up to 60 centimetres.

Prof. Haim Finkel, dean of the Lowdermilk Faculty, said the new method would, for example, allow farming in northern Sinai. It may be very profitable for vast areas in South America, the Persian Gulf shores and the bulk of North Africa, including the Sahara Desert.

The asphalt membrane has an estimated life span of seven years. The investment should be repaid within three years, Technion experts believe.

The price of a bitumen membrane on one dunam is estimated at IL1,045 at 1973 prices. The experts calculated that growing vegetables on membraned sand would produce an extra profit of IL1,195 in five years.

THE VENEZUELAN GOVERNMENT has announced a three-year phasing out period in which U.S.-dominated foreign investments in many of Venezuela's companies must be reduced to 20 per cent.

The Executive of the Jewish Agency
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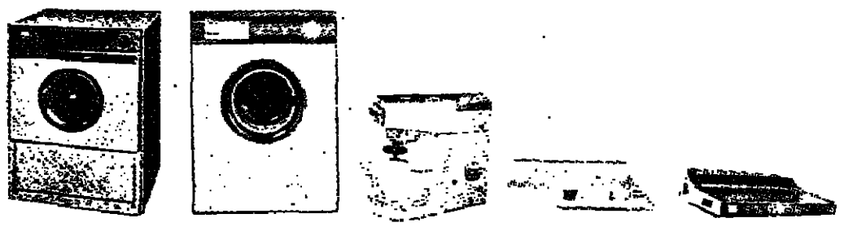

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MA'ALOT MISGIVINGS

AS we begin to take stock of the tragedy of Ma'alot, the overriding feeling is one of sympathy, too deep for words to express, for the bereaved parents, brothers and sisters who witnessed their children's slaughter after a day of suspense and agony, a brief moment of hope, and the bitter and bloody realization of death and despair.

A state of alert had been declared in advance of May 15, anniversary of the declaration of independence. Tracks from across the Lebanese border had been detected on Sunday, and the infiltrators were still at large, when the ill-fated group of young hikers set out.

Yet neither the general country-wide alert nor the specific regional cause for concern caused special precautions to be taken.

It is arguable, especially in the light of hindsight, that the whole trip should have been called off. But we cannot paralyse life or curtail our normal activities for fear of terrorist attack: that is what the terrorists want.

The hike should have gone on, perhaps not quite so close to the border, and certainly not under the terribly inadequate security arrangements which prevailed.

A heavy responsibility rests on the Ministry of Education whose regulations demanded that the two soldiers accompanying the youths leave their rifles locked overnight in the truck instead of at their sides in the school-house. Those regulations, intended to avoid accidents with firearms, are quite understandable and appropriate during a period of peace and tranquillity. They were simply inadequate on May 15, ten kilometres from the Lebanese border.

There was no authorized and responsible group-leader, a man with both military and pedagogic qualifications, to take charge of the 100-odd teenagers at the moment of crisis. Instead, they were in the care of assorted teachers who obviously lacked both qualifications and most of whom seem inexplicably to have sought their own safety and abandoned their responsibility towards their pupils. There was no armed watch on the building. The soldiers were sleeping indoors.

Why was the hiking group not warned of the fatal attack by the same terror group, four hours earlier and hardly two kilometres away, on a lorry carrying women workers to their homes? And why were the police and the security authorities not out in greater force after that attack, searching for the attackers, and warning and guarding such obvious targets as a nearby school full of sleeping children?

At its last weekly meeting, the Cabinet discussed tentatively ways of tightening security at schools — alas, too late for the dead of Ma'alot. These discussions must now be extended to cover the extra-curricular activities of schoolchildren, which must not be curtailed but instead continued under adequate protection.

French election result won't affect Israel

By JACK MAURICE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — Socialist leader Francois Mitterrand and the Conservative candidate, Finance Minister Valery Giscard d'Estaing, were neck and neck in the French presidential election race a few hours before the official campaign closed today. The latest opinion poll showed that each candidate could expect 50 per cent of the votes cast on Sunday. The poll, published in "Le Figaro," indicates that Mitterrand, whose chances looked poor when he fell three per cent behind his rival at the beginning of the week, has made up the lost ground.

However, irrespective of their allegiances more than twice as many voters (54 per cent) expect Giscard to win than Mitterrand (22 per cent).

Whoever obtains the French Presidency, there will probably be little to choose between their Middle Eastern policies and their attitudes towards Israel. The long-awaited exchange of visits by the two countries' Foreign Ministers can now take place. But this is unlikely to be a priority for either government. Israel is sufficiently occupied with its own domestic political crisis. The new French leadership will be heavily engaged in dealing with inflation and the threat of social unrest. So a journey by the new occupant of the Quai d'Orsay to Jerusalem or by an Israeli Foreign Minister to Paris will probably be postponed until the autumn.

During the election campaign both Giscard and Mitterrand have been at pains to emphasise their friendship for the Arabs while supporting a more even-handed policy towards the two rival camps in the Middle East than followed by General de Gaulle and Georges Pompidou. The late President had already diluted his hostility to Israel during the last months of his life by agreeing to the exchange of visits by Abba Eban and Michel Jobert.

But any change in French policy now will lack the significance which it would have acquired before the Yom Kippur War. The balance of power in the Middle East has changed dramatically with the restoration of American influence and prestige in the area, the oil crisis and the internal dissensions within Israel. Francois Mitterrand says he would impose a total embargo on French arms sales to all the Middle East countries. Giscard says that the embargo is now out of date. During the closing days of the election campaign French arms salesmen were particularly busy in Arab capitals, trying to persuade prospective clients to sign on the dotted line before polling day.

However, it is unlikely that the next President of France would cancel any export order for weapons, those incomparable foreign-currency earners. Libya has just received the last of the 110 Mirage war-planes, including 60 Mirage-5s — the model De Gaulle refused to deliver to Israel — which it ordered five years ago. So M. Marcel Dassault's order books may soon be depleted, and foreign customers, both Arab and Jewish, could find themselves equally welcome in Paris.

Giscard does not enjoy the overwhelming support of the Arabs. Ex-Premier Pierre Mendes-France, who would probably be Finance Minister in a Mitterrand government, made an excellent impression during a recent visit to Algiers. The Algerians still feel bitter towards Pompidou for an immigration policy which has turned the 850,000 workers from their country into a sub-proletariat in France.

But the Algerians, like all the 4,000,000 foreigners living in France, do not have a vote, and foreign policy has played only a minor role among the issues debated during the election campaign. The face-to-face TV exchange between Mitterrand and Giscard was characteristic of this phenomenon. After one and a half hour's debate the moderator suggested they might use an extra five minute's time to discuss foreign affairs. Of course, there was no time for a serious discussion and hardly enough for the candidates even to outline their options in this domain.

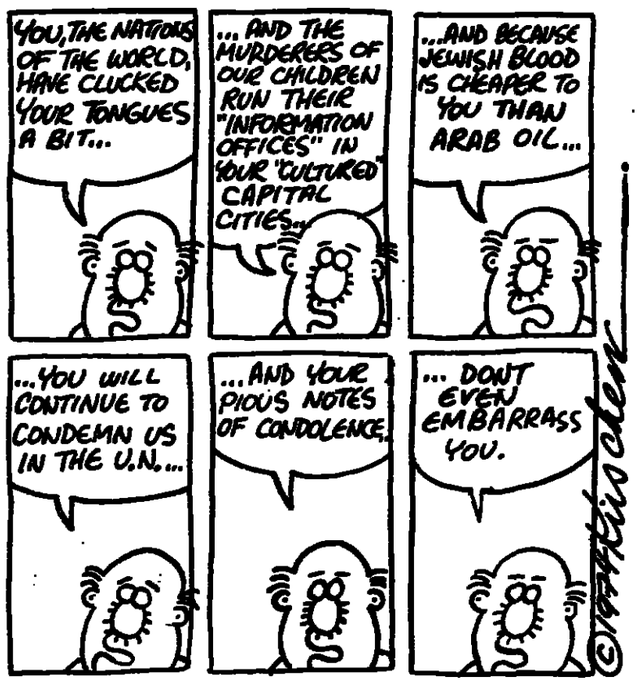
The closing days of the campaign — and particularly their slogging match in front of TV viewers — provided an excellent opportunity for the electorate to appraise the qualities of the two men between whom they are about to select France's 20th President. Giscard has emerged clearly as a technocrat with all the economy's dossiers at his fingertips (hardly surprising after 11 years as Finance Minister), a proud man bred for leadership with a cool brain but a chilly heart. Mitterrand has revealed himself as warm-hearted, unflappable and more nimble in debate than his rival.

But opinion polls taken after the face-to-face TV exchange between the two candidates showed that, when the audience had summed up the men's character traits, Giscard's commanding manner and his skill in manipulating statistics gave him a temporary edge. Perhaps this TV performance will not prove to have had the same decisive effect as the confrontation between John F. Kennedy and Richard Nixon during the 1960 American presidential campaign. But for the first time in French history the electorate have been able to study both bidders for the Presidency in their own homes.

During the closing days of the election battle, Giscard has been pressing home his sledge-hammer argument that the coalition of Socialists and Communists behind Mitterrand have not merely committed him to massive nationalization schemes but also endanger France's independence. Mitterrand has retorted that the Communists cannot function as a Trojan horse in modern French society. The French lower middle class are closely attached to property, in its most prestigious as well as its most humble forms. The threat of nationalization for Marcel Dassault's aircraft empire is regarded by many ordinary people as a menace to the small man's country cottage. That risk, coupled with the bogey of the Red under the bed, could persuade France to sacrifice the prospect of a more adventurous therapy for the mixture as before with a trusted doctor to prescribe it.

The 'Red bogey' may win the election for Giscard, as Mitterrand is allied with the Communists. Here, leftist art students march in a Paris demonstration. (GPO)

Dry Bones



ISRAEL PRESS

Right to storm school

Davar (Histadrut): "In this hour of shock and mourning we must ask one question: did the Government do all in its power to save the pupils taken as hostages?.... There is no doubt that the Government exhausted all the political possibilities for mediation and was even prepared for the gamble, dangerous in itself, of acceding to the terrorists' request. The order to storm the building was given only at the last moment, when it was clear that this was the only alternative to the blowing up of the building. The Cabinet had no choice. The actual decision to accede to the terrorists' request was a grave one: It is doubtful whether it would have been taken if the hostages had been adults. It weakens Israel's position in the war against the terrorists and lessens her moral right to demand that other countries firmly resist blackmail by the Arab terrorists. Nevertheless the Government rightly made the decision and prepared to act accordingly, because, as Mrs. Meir put it, it is intolerable to fight wars over the bodies of children."

Ha'aretz (non-party): "The Government's decision to order the army to storm the school was a correct one. Great moral courage was needed to make it. What was at stake was not the release of the terrorists in exchange for release of the pupils, but release of the hostages at the price of endangering a whole way of life not only of the border region but of the entire population of the State. The Government did everything possible to prevent bloodshed. But if it had acceded to the demand to release the condemned terrorists, there would certainly have been more such attacks and life in this country would have become a living hell. The terrorists must know that no one returns alive from such missions. However, there should be an investigation into how the terrorists could reach Ma'alot only one month after the Kiryat Shmona disaster. Why their infiltration was not discovered in time. How they knew there would be so many pupils at the school at the time, and why the school outing was allowed to take place in so exposed an area on May 15."

Ma'ariv (Non-party): "If the terrorists were in fact intent on scoring a victory, why did the code words fail to arrive in due time? When were they due to arrive—and from where? And to whom were they supposed to be communicated?... Was it not perhaps a tragic misunderstanding that brought about yesterday's bloodshed? But these are not the only questions to be asked," the paper continues. "How could the police have allowed the outing to take place on May 15, knowing full well that there might be terrorist assaults?... The Israeli public, shocked and outraged, is entitled to the answers. It is their right to know what went wrong, and what can be done to prevent the recurrence of such tragedies, as took place in Kiryat Shmona and Ma'alot."

POSTSCRIPTS

Kasher kibbutz

A NEW type of kibbutz is envisaged by a small group of young people from English-speaking countries who came here as volunteers after the Yom Kippur War and went to work at Kibbutz Nirim. They hope to enlist more members from among what one of them described as the "middle chunk" of Jewish society in the Diaspora — neither right nor left.

Although they are not particularly observant of Jewish tradition ("the only thing Jewish I had was my Bar Mitzva") they want to have a synagogue in their projected kibbutz and to keep kashrut in its kitchen. In spite of this leaning towards the conservative, they have been taken under the wing of the left-wing Hashomer Hatzair kibbutz movement. The new group will first go to an ulpan and then join an existing kibbutz in the climatically difficult region of the Arava for their agricultural training.

So far, their numbers have grown from the initial seven to 25. They are only too willing to discuss their plans with anyone interested in joining a new kibbutz and who is physically able to be a productive member. J.B.

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Breaking-point

A COURAGEOUS Californian psychologist has come up with the warning that the life-style of ambitious young executives can only lead to unhappiness and an early grave. Such men, he says, are the unnecessary victims of the American myth that hard work automatically leads to happiness and joy. More often, it leads to severe depression, heart disease, impotence and premature death.

Dr. Ogilvie intends to do something about this by helping to found the world's first "Institute for the Development of the Whole Person," a three million dollar research centre being built by an Australian multi-millionaire.

The human body's ability to withstand the kind of stress widespread in our high achievement society has reached breaking point, Dr. Ogilvie maintains, and says that in his own profession, his colleagues are "dropping like flies."

One of his suggestions to super-successful executives: take time off in the middle of the week to putter around in the garden.

But what about the hard-working executive in Israel who cannot afford a house and garden? Or the thousands of people who are overworked because they have to have two jobs in order to support their families in these inflationary days?

READERS' LETTERS

Settlement paradox

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I am a reservist who saw action during the last war in Sinai and Egypt and I expect to see more action in the Golan. My sole reason for fighting is to stop Arabs from killing Jews. I do not want territory.

In 1967, we expanded territorially, particularly in the north, to achieve defence in depth and to put our border settlements out of reach of enemy artillery. Now that we have substantially settled the Golan, I wonder how long we will wait before we have to achieve the same things again in terms of the Golan settlements now under unrelenting Syrian fire.

The territorial conquests of 1967 were made to give us peace through strength and strategy that we could not achieve through dialogue. They were settled, particularly in the Golan, to facilitate their defence. We did not need more land because of under-production in agriculture or over-population. We were intent on holding these lands until we achieved direct negotiations. If that were to take for ever, as it certainly began to seem after the Khartoum Arab summit, then we would hold them for ever.

In the wake of the last war, we have a slim chance of reaching direct negotiations at Geneva that can start after a separation of forces in the north. We have said that we want a real peace with our neighbours on the one hand and secure borders on the other hand. These two conditions can be one and the same, or opposites as they appear now. If Geneva brings true peace, then our borders will be recognized and secure. Yet if we continue to hold the conquered lands of our enemies, we will be relatively secure, but we will have no peace. We seem to want to have our cake and eat it too. Just as that doesn't work out in daily life, I don't think it works out in *realpolitik* either.

Our history of the past 40 years alone is enough to make us paranoid. I'm sure the people who have lived through World War II in Europe and here before and since 1948 are not as capable of the generous fairness and optimism of, say an American immigrant like myself. Yet, the lessons for all of us during the October war saves me from going into the fallacy of long-term security being achieved by continued military superiority in the face of an implacable enemy. So it seems to me that we either give up the land we conquered for direct negotiations, or we can hold it until we lose that one war. If both seem grim, I think the former to be the less grim. And if the Syrians double-cross us, I'll do my damndest to take the land back for us.

In one of his statements, Meir Kahane said this land (that part of it which is ours) belongs to all Israel and not just to Israelis. I agree, but I believe that Israeli lives belong to Israelis alone. If we can save more of those lives by direct negotiations and their territorial consequences, I don't think that's anybody's direct business other than those who will live their lives in, and give their lives for this land. As my Galut brother will not live here for me, I will not die here for him.

ARYE HAZARY

Jerusalem, May 9.

Mexican analogy

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — On March 9, 1916, a Mexican revolutionary named Pancho Villa raided Columbus, New Mexico, killing 16 people and partly burning the town. (New Mexico, formerly Mexican territory, joined the United States Union in 1912.)

The U.S. sent a military force under General Pershing 200 miles into Mexico. President Carranza of Mexico insisted that this was his concern — and Mexico's concern. The U.S. troops were withdrawn — and after this there were no more raids into the U.S. by Mexican bandits.

JOSEPH FARBER LITWINS

New York, May 6.

Strike at Abu Rodeis

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Instead of fighting and striking about the money they will get when they lose their jobs if and when the Abu Rodeis oilfields are returned to Egypt, the workers there had better fight and strike so that Israel keep Abu Rodeis.

SHOSH DUVDEVAN

Tel Aviv, May 8.

Yom Kippur ribbon

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I was called up during the Six Day War and fought on the Golan Heights. For that campaign we received the red and blue ribbon. For long service in the reserves, we received the "Pazgaz" badge.

I was again called up on Yom Kippur and served for nearly five months, yet for that campaign we received nothing. Why?

There was never a campaign in which our soldiers fought so bravely, or gave so much.

GEOFF BERGOVICH

Kibbutz Amiad, May 10.

Disabled vets

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — With regard to the reported row at Ben-Gurion Airport over the customs duties payable on gifts disabled war veterans were given in Italy, it seems a shocking comment on Israeli priorities and Jewish compassion that these men, who have given so much for Israel, should not be allowed to receive these gifts duty-free. Of course, laws in general are not made to be disregarded, but surely extenuating circumstances could be quoted in this case.

ANNE BRUSKIN (Mrs.)

Jerusalem, May 12.

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